# the lay of Havelok the Dane

W. W. SKEAT K. SISAM Digitized by the Internet Archive in 2007 with funding from Microsoft Corporation





#### THE GREAT GRIMSBY SEAL

'SIGILLYM COMUNITATIS GRIMEBYE'

WITH THE FIGURES OF 'GRYEM', 'HABLOC' AND 'GOLDEBVRGH'

# THE LAY OF HAVELOK THE DANE

RE-EDITED FROM MS. LAUD MISC. 108 IN THE BODLEIAN LIBRARY, OXFORD

BY THE

REV. WALTER W. SKEAT

LITT.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Ph.D.

FELLOW OF THE BRITISH ACADEMY

ELRINGTON AND BOSWORTH PROFESSOR OF ANGLO-SAION IN THE

UNIVERSITY OF CAMERIDGE

SECOND EDITION REVISED

BY

K. SISAM

OXFORD
AT THE CLARENDON PRESS

#### Oxford University Press, Walton Street, Oxford OX2 6DP

OXFORD LONDON GLASGOW

NEW YORK TORONTO MELBOURNE WELLINGTON

KUALA LUMPUR SINGAPORE JAKARTA HONG KONG TOKYO

DELHI BOMBAY CALCUTTA MADRAS KARACHI

NAIROBI DAR ES SALAAM CAPE TOWN

ISBN 0 19 811108 8

Second Edition 1915 Reprinted 1973, 1979

All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise, without the prior permission of Oxford University Press

Printed in Great Britain at the University Press, Oxford by Eric Buckley Printer to the University

# PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION

SINCE the previous edition of this book appeared the H3 criticism of Havelok has been greatly advanced by the work of Heyman and Deutschbein on the story, by Holthausen's [915 second edition, and Professor Skeat's discovery of the Cambridge Fragments. In the few weeks available for the task of revision I have used this new material freely, and have made considerable alterations the more willingly because Professor Skeat himself was always most ready to utilize the latest results.

The Introduction has therefore been remodelled. The Text and foot-notes are from stereotyped plates, and such slight changes as have been made have the single aim of restoring defensible readings in the manuscript. The Notes are for the most part new; and the Glossary, which was admirably full and accurate in its references, has been revised throughout.

This work, necessarily hasty, would not have been possible without generous help. The Misses Skeat have kindly placed at my disposal the materials in their possession. Professor Carleton Brown collated the Cambridge Fragments, which now follow the text, with very valuable results. Dr. Craigie contributes the important emendation of 1.64. Professor Napier has allowed me to consult his bibliographical collections, and to quote his explanation of the forms mentioned in the note to l. 2143. Finally, in all points the revision has greatly benefited by Dr. Henry Bradley's criticism and advice.

# CONTENTS

The FRONTISPIECE represents the seal of Great Grimsby, described in the Introduction, § 12.	
The FACSIMILE represents fol. 207 v. (col. 1, top) of the Laud MS. Compare ll. 632-53 at p. 24.	O.78
PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION	i <b>ii</b>
INTRODUCTION.—§ 1. Discovery of the Poem. § 2. Select Bibliography. § 3. The Laud MS. § 4. The Cambridge Fragments. § 5. Geffrei Gaimar. § 6. Le Lai d'Havelok. § 7. Robert Manning of Brunne. § 8. The Lambeth Interpolation. § 9. Relations of the chief versions of the Story. § 10. Minor versions. § 11. Local traditions. § 12. The Grimsby Seal. § 13. Localization of the Story. §§ 14, 15. Date of Composition. § 16. Historical Basis of the Story. § 17. Legendary Elements. § 18. The Metre. § 19. The Rimes. § 20. Phonology. § 21. The Phonology of some Norse words. § 22. Inflexions—Nouns, Pronouns,	
	-xl
THE LAY OF HAVELOK	I
THE CAMBRIDGE FRAGMENTS	103
Notes	105
GLOSSARIAL INDEX	15
INDEX OF NAMES	169

## INTRODUCTION

§ 1. The English version of the Lay of Havelok is one of the few poems that have happily been recovered, after having long been given up as lost. Tyrwhitt, in his Essay on the Language and Versification of Chaucer, has a footnote (no. 51) deploring the loss of the Rime concerning Gryme the Fisher, the founder of Grymesby, Hanelok [read Havelok] the Dane, and his wife Goldborough; and Ritson, in his Dissertation on Romance and Minstrelsy (vol. i, p. lxxxviii of his Metrical Romanceës), makes remarks to the same effect. It was at length, however, discovered by accident in a manuscript belonging to the Bodleian Library, which had been described in the old Catalogue merely as Vitae Sanctorum, a large portion of it being occupied by metrical legends of the Saints.

## § 2. Select Bibliography.

#### Editions.

1828. The Ancient English Romance of Havelok the Dane, &c., edited for the Roxburghe Club by (Sir) Frederick Madden. (The apparatus, which includes a full Introduction, the French from Gaimar, and the 'Lai d'Havelok', is still precious.)

1868. The Lay of Havelok the Dane, edited for the Early English Text Society (Extra Series IV) by the Rev. W. W.

Skeat, with the assistance of the previous editor. Reprinted with slight corrections and additions in 1889. (The best text.)

1901. Havelok, edited by F. Holthausen, London, 1901. (Normalized in spelling, dialect, and metre.)

1902. The Lay of Havelok the Dane, re-edited by the Rev. Professor W. W. Skeat, Oxford: at the Clarendon Press. (With normalized spelling, the basis of the present edition. The most important notice is that by M. Förster, Anglia, Beiblatt, vol. xiv. 10 ff.)

1928. Havelok, edited by F. Holthausen, third (German) edition, Heidelberg and New York. (Very much improved, and invaluable for its bibliographical references.)

#### Selections.

Il. 1-183 in J. Zupitza's Alt- und mittelenglisches Lesebuch, Wien (and Leipzig); and in G. E. Maclean's Old and Middle English Reader, New York; Il. 1-748 in F. Kluge's Mittelenglisches Lesebuch, Halle; Il. 339-748 in Morris and Skeat's Specimens of Early English, Part I, Oxford; and in O. F. Emerson's Middle English Reader, New York; Il. 2052-2265 in R. P. Wülker's Altenglisches Lesebuch, Part I, Halle. Most of these are annotated.

#### Collations.1

By Hupe, Anglia, vol. xiii. 194-5 (unreliable); by Holthausen, second edition, p. xvi; and, on some points, by Sisam, Herrig's Archiv, vol. exxviii. 197-9.

¹ These collations rarely affect the sense, and are in great part concerned with such purely palaeographical matters as the occurrence of *b* where *th* is printed. A few of textual importance are mentioned in the Notes.

#### Critical Notes.1

- J. Zupitza: Zeitschrift für deutsches Alterthum, vol. xix. 124 ff.; Anglia, vol. i. 468 ff. and vol. vii. 145 ff. (all of first importance).
  - F. Stratmann: Englische Studien, vol. i. 423 ff.
- E. Kölbing: Englische Studien, vol. xvi. 299 ff. (a review of Wittenbrinck's dissertation) and vol. xix. 146 ff.

H. Hupe: Anglia, vol. xiii. 186 ff.

- F. Holthausen: Anglia, vol. xv. 499 ff.; An English Miscellany presented to Dr. Furnivall, Oxford, 1901, pp. 176 ff.; and Herrig's Archiv, vol. cx. 100 ff.
  - L. Morsbach: Englische Studien, vol. xxix. 368 ff.
  - K. Sisam: Herrig's Archiv, vol. cxxviii. 194 ff.
- G. Wittenbrinck: Zur Kritik und Rhythmik des altengl. Lais von Havelok (Gymnasium Arnoldinum zu Burgsteinfurt, 1891).

#### Language, &c.

There is a useful dissertation by F. Schmidt, Zur Heimatbestimmung des Havelok, Göttingen, 1900.

#### The Story, &c.

- G. Storm: Englische Studien, vol. iii. 533 ff. (On the name Havelok.)
- H. L. D. Ward: Catalogue of Romances in the British Museum, London, 1883, vol. i. 423 ff.
- J. W. Hales: Letter in Athenaeum, Feb. 23, 1889, reprinted in Folia Litteraria, London, 1893. (On the date.)
- <sup>1</sup> Only the more general studies are listed. For more recent articles and notes, consult J. E. Wells, *A Manual of the Writings in Middle English*, New Haven, 1916, and its Supplements. In the present impression an important article by C. T. Onions in *Philologica* (Malone Anniversary Studies), 1949, pp. 154ff. is used without further acknowledgement.

E. K. Putnam: The Lambeth Version of Havelok, Publications of the Modern Language Association of North America, Baltimore, 1900, pp. 1-19.

H. Heyman: Studies on the Havelok Tale, Upsala,

1903.

M. Deutschbein: Studien zur Sagengeschichte Englands, Part I, 'Die Wikingersagen', Cöthen, 1906.

§ 3. The Laud Manuscript. The only complete text of the poem is extant in MS. Laud Misc. 108, in the Bodleian Library. It begins on fol. 204, and is written in double columns each of which contains forty-five lines. Hence a hundred and eighty lines are missing after l. 1444, where a leaf is lost of which no count is taken in the folio numbering. It ends on the back of fol. 219, and is immediately followed, in the same handwriting, by the 'Geste of King Horn'. These two poems form the second part of the MS. Part I is chiefly occupied by Lives of the Saints, printed by Horstmann, E. E. T. S., 1887. The hands are of about the same date as the Havelok portion, that is to say, early fourteenth century. Part III is of the fifteenth century, and contains the Lives of Saint Cecilia and Saint Blaise (also printed by Horstmann); Saint Alexius (printed by Dr. Furnivall in E. E. T. S., no. 69); and a poem called 'Somer Soneday' printed in Reliquiae Antiquae, vol. ii, pp. 7-9; followed by a few other scraps. From the circumstances mentioned in the note to 1. 2933, Zupitza conjectured that an older MS, from which the existing copy was made, contained only twenty lines to the page; and Mr. Hall has noted that twenty lines in the copy of King Horn are found to be out of place, which furnishes strong evidence as to the correctness of the suggestion. so, the MS. must have been made with small pages for the purpose of portability, and would have been well suited for

use by a wandering minstrel or reciter of poems. For further details see Hall's King Horn, pp. viii-x.

The arrangement of the page and the script may be studied in Skeat's Twelve Facsimiles of Old English MSS., Plate VII, where fol. 207 v. is reproduced. A portion of the same plate, containing ll. 632-53, is reproduced in the present volume. On the whole the writing is clear, but it is sometimes difficult to distinguish c and t, n and u. The i has a long stroke over it when written next to m or n, but this stroke is frequently misplaced in the word knith = kniht. The letters p, y are usually distinguished by the dot over y, but b occasionally has this dot. The few cases of the Anglo-Saxon p for w are not easily distinguished by letter form, and the only certain examples are witdrow, 1. 502; wit, 1. 997; we, 1. 1058; berwen, 1. 1426; we, miswritten for w0 = who, 1. 1914. This evidence is interesting as showing that this letter was then fast going out of use. The absence of 3 from the Havelok text is the more remarkable since it occurs in King Horn.

The poem is marked out into paragraphs by the use of large letters; and in this edition a slight space is introduced at the end of each paragraph to show this more clearly. The expansion of marks of contraction is denoted in the usual way by the use of italics; thus in 1.9 'man' is printed instead of the form 'mā', as in the MS., and the curl denoting er is represented by printing 'euere' in 1. 17. Additions and emendations are enclosed in square brackets, and the punctuation and capitalization are modern.

§ 4. The Cambridge Fragments. By a happy chance the discovery of some fragments of another manuscript fell to Professor Skeat. In the *Modern Language Review* for October, 1911, pp. 455-7, he published the scraps now included at the end of the text with the following explana-

tion: 'Among the treasures of the Cambridge University Library have been preserved four small and insignificant-looking scraps of paper containing writing which appears to belong to the end of the fourteenth century. They are contained in an envelope marked 4407 (19). One of the scraps was perceived to contain a small portion of the "Proverbs of Hending". The meaning of the rest was less obvious, and I was asked to endeavour to discover it. I soon saw that some of the lines certainly belonged to Havelok the Dane. . . . I have recommended that the eight fragments (recto and verso of four scraps) should be marked a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h. Fragment d contains Havelok II. 174-83 (partly illegible); e contains II. 341-64; and f contains II. 537-44, ten lines not in the other copy, and II. 545-6, another new line, and II. 547-9.'

The MS., as Professor Skeat pointed out, is late and corrupt; and it is chiefly important for the ten lines added after 1. 544. Are these to be accepted as part of the text of Havelok? Professor Skeat seems to have inclined to accept them, for he remarks (p. 457) 'the aspiration expressed in 1. 544 of the Oxford MS. seems to have been adopted to hide a loss of ten lines that should have been preserved'. But there is a good deal to be said against their genuineness. They are extremely feeble and disjointed, and trail on like the work of a man who cannot make up his mind where to stop; they add nothing to the story, and they form just such a digression as the Havelok poet sedulously avoids:

pat is be storie for to lenge, It wolde anuye bis fayre genge.

Again, however the body of the line may be enfeebled in a late MS., we should expect the rimes to be permanent. Yet these few lines contain two riming tags, on fele manere,

in mani a kas, which are quite unknown to Havelok, and which, with words like comaundeme[n]t, indicate a much increased French influence. Finally, the lines fail to link up with what follows them. For these reasons they are rather to be regarded as a late addition.

In the same fragment the MS. breaks off tantalizingly just when it seemed to solve the most corrupt passage in *Havelok*; see the note to ll. 546 ff. On the whole its critical value is slight.

#### OTHER EARLY VERSIONS OF THE STORY.

§ 5. Geffrei Gaimar. The story appears in two Anglo-French versions, both derived from an earlier source that is now lost; for each contains circumstances that are not mentioned in the other, though there is often a close agreement. The older of these is probably that contained in 1l. 37-818 (ed. T. Wright) of the poem entitled L'Estorie des Engles, written by Geffrei Gaimar, apparently between the years 1147 and 1151.1 In one place (l. 41) he cites Gildas as his authority, but no safe conclusion can be drawn from this vague reference. In another place (1. 758) he mentions a feast given by Havelok-'si cum nus dit la verai estoire'i. e. as the true history tells us. There are three MS. copies of Gaimar's version of the story, of which perhaps the best is the Royal MS. (Bibl. Reg. 13. A. xxi) in the British Museum; the two others belong respectively to the Dean and Chapter of Durham (Cathedral MS. C. iv. 27) and to the Dean and Chapter of Lincoln (Cathedral MS. H. 18). The Royal MS. was printed in full by Mr. T. Wright for the Caxton Society in 1850. Portions of it have also been

<sup>1</sup> Lines 1-36 really belong to another book by Gaimar, vis his translation of *The Brut*, from Geoffrey of Monmouth.

printed by M. Michel, in his Chroniques Anglo-Normandes, 8vo, Rouen, 1835; by Sir F. Madden, in his edition of Havelok (as above); and by Mr. Petrie in 1848, for which see Monumenta Historica Britannica, vol. i, p. 764. The latest complete edition of Gaimar is that by Sir T. Duffus Hardy and C. T. Martin in Rerum Britannicarum Medii Aevi Scriptores.<sup>1</sup>

§ 6. Le Lai d'Havelok. This Anglo-French version likewise belongs to the twelfth century, and gives a similar story, with some variations. There are two MS. copies, of which one belongs to the collection made by Sir T. Phillipps, and the other is known as the Arundel MS. (or the Norfolk MS.), and is preserved in the Heralds' College, where it is marked E. D. N. no. 14. It was printed in Sir F. Madden's edition of *Havelok*, pp. 105-146; by M. Michel, Paris, 1833; in the Appendix to T. Wright's edition of *Gaimar*; and by Hardy and Martin (as above) i. 290 ff.<sup>2</sup> A brief sketch of its contents is here subjoined.

The Britons made a lay concerning King Havelok, who is surnamed Cuaran. His father was Gunter, King of the Danes. Arthur crossed the sea, and invaded Denmark. Gunter perished by the treason of Hodulf, who gained the kingdom, and held it of Arthur. Gunter had a fine castle, where his wife and son were guarded, being committed to the protection of Grim. The child was but seven years old; but ever as he slept, an odorous flame issued from his mouth. Hodulf sought to kill him, but Grim prepared a ship, wherein he placed the queen and the child, and furnished it with provisions, and set sail from Denmark. On their voyage they encountered pirates ('outlaghes'), who killed them all after a hard fight, excepting Grim, who was an acquaintance of theirs, and Grim's wife and

<sup>2</sup> The less accessible Phillipps MS. is the earlier. The Arundel MS., f. 148 b, has: 'Athelwold auoit vne fille Goldeburgh, et il regna vi anz. Haueloc esposa meisme cele Goldeburgh, et regna iij. anz.'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Introduction gives a full description of the MSS., of which the Durham copy is the earliest in script and language. The second volume contains a translation of Gaimar and *Le Lai d'Havelok*.

children. Havelok also was saved. They at last arrived at the haven, afterwards named 'Grimesbi' from Grim. Grim there resumed his old trade, a fisherman's, and a town grew up round his hut, which was called Grimsby. The child grew up, and waxed strong. One day Grim said to him, 'Son, you will never thrive as a fisherman; take your brothers with you, and seek service amongst the King's servants'. He was soon well apparelled, and repaired with his two foster-brothers to Nicole [Lincoln]. Now at that time there was a king named Alsi, who ruled over all Nicole and Lindesie; but the country southward was governed by another king, named Ekenbright, who had married Alsi's sister Orewen. These two had one only daughter, named Argentille. Ekenbright, falling ill, committed Argentille to the care of Alsi, till she should be of age to be married to the strongest man that could be found. At Ekenbright's death, Alsi reigned over both countries, holding his court at Nicole. Havelok, on his arrival there, was employed to carry water and cut wood, and to perform all menial offices requiring great strength. He was named Cuaran, which means -in the British language-a scullion. Argentille soon arrived at marriageable age, and Alsi determined to marry her to Cuaran, which would sufficiently fulfil her father's wish—Cuaran being confessedly the strongest man in those parts. To this marriage he compelled her to consent, hoping thereby to disgrace her for ever. Havelok was unwilling that his wife should perceive the marvellous flame, but soon forgot this, and ere long fell asleep. Then had Argentille a strange vision-that a savage bear and some foxes attacked Cuaran, but dogs and boars defended him. A boar having killed the bear, the foxes cried for quarter from Cuaran, who commanded them to be bound. Then he would have put to sea, but the sea rose so high that he was terrified. Next she beheld two lions, at seeing which she was frightened, and she and Cuaran climbed a tree to avoid them; but the lions submitted themselves to him, and called him their lord. Then a great cry was raised, whereat she awoke, and beheld the miraculous flame. 'Sir,' she exclaimed, 'you burn!' But he reassured her, and attempted to give an ordinary explanation of her dream. The next day, however, she again told her dream to a chamberlain, her friend, who said that he well knew a holy hermit who could explain it. The hermit explained to Argentille that Cuaran must be of royal lineage. 'He will be king,' he said, 'and you a queen. Ask him concerning his parentage. Remember also to repair to his native place.' On being questioned, Cuaran replied that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The northern part of Lincolnshire is called Lindsey.

he was born at Grimsby; that Grim was his father, and Saburc his mother. 'Then let us go to Grimsby,' she replied. Accompanied by his two foster-brothers, they came to Grimsby; but Grim and Saburc were both dead. They found there, however, a daughter of Grim's, named Kelloc, who had married a tradesman of that town. Up to this time Havelok had not known his true parentage, but Kelloc thought it was now time to tell him, and said: 'Your father was Gunter, the King of the Danes, whom Hodulf slew. Hodulf obtained the kingdom as a grant from Arthur. Grim fled with you, and saved your life; but your mother perished at sea. Your name is HAVELOK. My husband will convey you to Denmark, where you must inquire for a lord named "Sigar l'estal"; and take with you my two brothers.' So Kelloc's husband conveyed them to Denmark, and advised Havelok to go to Sigar and show himself and his wife, as then he would be asked who his wife is. They went to the city of the seneschal, the before-named Sigar, where they craved a night's lodging, and were courteously entertained. But as they retired to a lodging for the night, six men attacked them, who had been smitten with the beauty of Argentille. Havelok defended himself with an axe which he found, and slew five, whereupon the sixth fled. Havelok and his party fled away for refuge to a monastery, which was soon attacked by the townsmen who had heard of the combat. Havelok mounted the tower, and defended himself bravely, casting down a huge stone on his enemies.1 The news soon reached the ears of Sigar, who hastened to see what the uproar was about. Beholding Havelok fixedly, he called to mind the form and appearance of Gunter, and asked Havelok of his parentage. Havelok replied that Grim had told him he was by birth a Dane, and that his mother perished at sea; and ended by briefly relating his subsequent adventures. Then Sigar asked him his name. 'My name is Havelok,' he said, 'and my other name is Cuaran.' Then the seneschal took him home, and determined to watch for the miraculous flame, which he soon perceived, and was assured that Havelok was the true heir. Therefore he gathered a great host of his friends, and sent for the horn which none but the true heir could sound, promising a ring to any one who could blow it. When all had failed, it was given to Havelok, who blew it loud and long, and was joyfully recognized and acknowledged to be the true King. Then with a great army he attacked Hodulf

<sup>1</sup> Hence the obvious origin of the legend of 'Havelok's stone', and a local tradition about Grim's casting down stones from the tower of Grimsby church. See § 11.

the usurper, whom he slew with his own hand. Thus was Havelok made King of Denmark.

But after he had reigned four years, his wife incited him to return to England. With a great number of ships he sailed there, and arrived at Carleflure; and sent messengers to Alsi, demanding the inheritance of Argentille. Alsi was indeed astonished at such a demand as coming from a scullion, and offered him battle. The hosts met at Theford, and the battle endured till nightfall without a decisive result. But Argentille craftily advised her lord to support his dead men by stakes, to increase the apparent number of his army; and the next day Alsi deceived by this device treated for neare and yielded day Alsi, deceived by this device, treated for peace, and yielded up to his former ward all the land, from Holland to Gloucester. Alsi had been so sorely wounded that he lived but fifteen days longer. Thus was Havelok king over Lincoln and Lindsey, and reigned over them for twenty years. Such is the lay of

§ 7. Robert Manning of Brunne. It is convenient to consider next the translation of Peter Langtoft's Chronicle made by Robert Manning, of Brunne or Bourne in Lincolnshire, and completed in the year 1338. Manning is the well-known author of the poem entitled Handlyng Synne, written in 1303; and he was well acquainted with our poem, as he quotes it or imitates it at least twice; see notes to 11. 679, 819. The later portion of Manning's translation was printed at Oxford by T. Hearne in 1725, in 2 vols.; and the first part (British history) has since been edited, for the Master of the Rolls, by Dr. Furnivall. Now Langtoft mentions casually Gountere le pere Hauelok, de Danays Ray clamez, i.e. 'Gunter, father of Havelok,

<sup>1</sup> Possibly Saltfleet, suggests Mr. Haigh. Such, at least, is the position required by the circumstances.

In the Durham MS. it is Tiedfort, i.e. Tetford, not far from Horn-

castle, in Lincolnshire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is an important parallel to a story told about Amleth (Hamlet) in the History by Saxo Grammaticus, bk. iv. 'He resorts to a device to increase the apparent number of his men. He puts stakes under some of the dead bodies of his comrades, to prop them up,' &c.—Gollancz, Hamlet in Iceland, p. xxviil.

<sup>4</sup> A name given to the south-east part of Lincolnshire.

called King of the Danes', which Gunter he identifies with the Danish invader Godrum, defeated by Alfred in 878. See the edition by T. Wright (Rolls Series, i. 318). When Manning comes to this passage, he translates the French line by Hauelok fader he was, Gunter was his name; where Hearne prints the former name as 'Hanelok'. Then follows the usual account, how Gunter (Godrum) made peace with Alfred, and submitted to be baptized, A.D. 878. After which we have the following interpolated passage, written by Manning on his own account. See ed. Hearne, i. 25:—

Bot I haf grete ferly bat I fynd no man, pat has written in story how Hauelok bis lond wan. Noiber Gildas, no Bede, no Henry of Huntynton, No William of Malmesbiri, ne Pers of Bridlynton, Writes not in ber bokes of no kyng Athelwold, Ne Goldeburgh his doubtere, ne Hauelok not of told, Whilk tyme be were kynges, long or now late, pei mak no menyng whan, no in what date. Bot bat bise lowed men vpon Inglish tellis, Right story can me not ken, be certeynte what spellis. Men sais in Lyncoln castelle ligges ait a stone, Pat Hauelok kast wele forbi euerilkone. & zit be chapelle standes ber he weddid his wife, Goldeburgh be kynges douhter, bat saw is sit rife. & of Gryme a fisshere men redes dit in ryme, Pat he bigged Grymesby, Gryme pat ilk tyme. Of alle stories of honoure, bat I haf borgh souht, I fynd bat no compiloure of him tellis ouht. Sen I fynd non redy hat tellis of Hauelok kynde, Turne we to hat story hat we writen fynde.

There cannot exist the smallest doubt that by the 'Ryme' here mentioned, 'that lowed men vpon Inglish tellis', the identical English romance, now before the reader, is referred to. We see also that, in 1338, the traditions respecting Havelok at Lincoln were so strongly preserved, as to point out various localities to which the story had affixed a name; and similar traditions connected with the legend, as we shall

find hereafter, existed also at Grimsby. The doubts expressed by the Chronicler, as to their authenticity, or the authority of the 'Ryme', are curious, but only of value so far as they prove that he was ignorant of the existence of a French romance on the subject, or of its reception in Gaimar's historical poem.

§ 8. The Lambeth Interpolation. On comparing the Lambeth MS. of Manning's translation, Sir F. Madden found that this passage had been omitted and replaced by a summary of the *Havelok* story, which is here printed after Madden's text. Obviously the interpolator had access to sources of which Manning knew nothing.

Forth wente Gounter & his folk al in to Denemark: Sone fel ther hym vpon a werre styth & stark, Thurgh a Breton kyng, tht out of Ingeland cam, & asked (the) tribut of Denmark, tht Arthur whylom nam. They wythseide hit schortly, and non wolde they zelde, But rather they wolde dereyne hit wyth bataill y the felde. Both partis on a day to felde come they stronge: Desconfit were the Danes, Gounter his deth gan fonge. When he was ded they schepe brynge al his blod to schame; But Gatferes doughter the kyng, Eleyne was hure name, Was kyng Gounteres wyf, and had a child hem bytwene, Wyth wham scheo scapede vnethe, al to the se with tene. The child hym highte HAUELOK, tht was his moder dere; Scheo mette with Grym atte hauene, a wel god marinere. He hure knew & highte hure wel to helpe hure with his might, To brynge hure saf out of the lond wythinne the ilke night. When they come in myd se, a gret meschef gan falle: They metten wyth a gret schip, lade wyth outlawes all. Anon they fullen hem apon, & dide hem mikel peyne, 19 So tht wyth strengthe of their assaut ded was quene Eleyne. But 3yt ascapede from hem Grym, wyth Hauelok & other fyue, & atte the hauene of Grymesby, ther they gon aryue. Ther was brought forth child Hauelok, wyth Grym & his fere, Right als hit hadde be ther owen, for other wyste men nere, Til he was mykel & mighti, & man of mykel cost, Tht for his grete sustinaunce nedly serue he most. He tok leue of Grym & Seburc, as of his sire & dame, And askede ther blessinge curteysly, ther was he nought to blame.

Thenne drow he forth northward, to kynges court Edelsie, The held fro Humber to Rotland the kyngdam of Lyndesye. Thys Edelsy of Breton kynde had Orewayn his sister bright Maried to a noble kyng of Northfolk, Egelbright. Holly for his kyngdam he held in his hand Al the lond fro Colchestre right in til Holand. Thys Egelbright tht was a Dane, & Orewayn the quene, 35 Hadden gete on Argill, a doughter, hem bytwene. Sone then devde Egelbright, and his wyf Orewayn, & therfore was kyng Edelsye bothe joyful & fayn. Anon their doughter & here Eyr, his nece dame Argill, & al the kyngdam he tok in hande, al at his owene will. Ther serued Hauelok as quistron, & was y-cald Coraunt, He was ful mykel & hardy, & strong as a Geaunt. He was bold curteys & fre, & fair & god of manere, So the alle folk hym louede the anewest hym were. But for couetise of desheraison of damysele Argill, 45 & for a chere tht the kyng sey scheo made Coraunt till. He dide hem arraye ful symplely, & wedde togydere bothe;--For he ne rewarded desparagyng were manion ful wrothe. A while they dwelt after in court, in ful pore degre; The schame & sorewe tht Argill hadde, hit was a deol to se. Then seyde scheo til hure maister, 'of whenne sire be 3e? Haue se no kyn ne frendes at hom, in soure contre? Leuer were me lyue in pore lyf, wythoute schame & tene. Than in schame & sorewe lede the astat of quene.' Thenne wente they forth to Grymesby, al by his wyues red, 55 & founde tht Grym & his wyf weren bothe ded. But he fond ther on Aunger, Grymes cosyn hend, To wham tht Grym & his wyf had teld word & ende, How tht hit stod wyth Hauelok, in all manere degre, & they hit hym telde, & conseilled to drawe til his contre, Tasaye what grace he mighte fynde among his frendes there, & they wolde ordevne for their schipynge, and al tht hem nede

When Aunger hadde y-schiped hem, they seilled forth ful swythe, Ful-but in-til Denemark, wyth weder fair & lithe. Ther fond he on sire Sykar, a man of gret pouste. The hey styward somtyme was of al his fader fe. Ful fayn was he of his comyng, & god help hym bihight, To recouere his heritage of Edulf kyng & knyght. Sone asembled they gret folk of his sibmen & frendes; Kyng Edulf gadered his power, & ageyn them wendes. Desconfyt was ther kyng Edulf & al his grete bataill, & so conquered Hauelok his heritage saunz faille.

65

70

Sone after he schep hym gret power in toward Ingelond,
His wyues heritage to wynne ne wolde he nought wonde.
Th' herde the kyng of Lyndeseye, he was come on th' cost,
& schop to fighte wyth hym sone, & gadered hym gret host.
But atte day of bataill Edelsy was desconfit,
& after, by tretys, gaf Argentill hure heritage al quit.
& for scheo was next of his blod, Hauelokes wyf so feyr,
He gaf hure Lyndesey after his day, & made hure his Eyr.
& atte last so byfel, th' vnder Hauelokes schelde
Al Northfolk & Lyndeseye holy of hym they helde.

MS. Lamb. 131, leaf 76.

§ 9. Relations of the chief versions of the Story The following table of the names assigned to the chief characters, which is adapted from Heyman, p. 16, shows at a glance that Gaimar, Le Lai d'Havelok, and the Lambeth Interpolation agree together against the English Havelok. Grim and Havelok are the only names common to all versions.

Gaimar	Lai	Lambeth Interpolation	Havelok
Adelbrict	Ekenbright	Egelbright	Athelwold
Edelsi	Alsi	Edelsi	Godrich
Gunter	Gunter	Gunter	Birkabeyn
Edulf, Odulf	Hodulf	Edulf	Godard
Sigar	Sigar	Sykar	Ubbe
Sebrug	Saburc	Seburc	Leue
Argentille	Argentille	Argill, Argentille	Goldeboru 1

The relation of the French versions to each other was examined by M. Kupferschmidt in Böhmer's Romanische Studien, iv, pp. 411 ff. But Putnam first pointed out that Gaimar, the Lai, and the Lambeth Interpolation are all derived from a lost French version in rimed couplets. Heyman—who gives an excellent analysis—and Deutschbein agree in essentials with Putnam's results. It is scarcely possible to determine the relation of the French versions to the English poem; nor, on the evidence of a single

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Observe that the story known to Robert Manning had the names Athelwold and Goldeboru (see § 7).

complete manuscript, can the earlier history of the English poem be demonstrated.

- § 10. Minor Versions. Some dozen minor versions are discussed by Madden. One of these, from Le Petit Bruit by Rauf de Boun, a Lincolnshire man, bases on the English story, as the names show. Another from the prose Brut & Englische Studien, vol. xxxv. 359 ff. Brie shows that this version, though it agrees in the main with the French story, borrows certain traits from the English, including the name Birkebeyn for Havelok's father. The rest are of little importance for our present purposes, as practically all represent the French, and not the English version of the story, in a more or less debased form.
- § 11. Local traditions. We find that Camden briefly alludes to the story in a contemptuous manner (p. 353; ed. 8vo, Lond. 1587); but Gervase Holles is far from being disposed to regard it as fabulous. 'In his MSS. collections for Lincolnshire' (says Sir F. Madden) 'preserved in MS. Harl. 6829, he thus speaks of the story we are examining 1:—

And it will not be amisse, to say something concerning you Common tradition of her first founder Grime, as you inhabitants (with a Catholique faith) name him. The tradition is thus. Grime (say they) a poore Fisherman (as he was launching into you Riuer for fish in his little boate vpon Humber) espyed not far from him another little boate, empty (as he might conceaue) which by you fauour of you wynde & tyde still approached nearer & nearer vnto him. He betakes him to his Oares, & meetes itt, wherein he founde onely a Childe wrapt in Swathing Clothes, purposely exposed (as it should seeme) to you pittylesse [rage] of youlde & Wide Ocean. He, moued with pitty, takes it home, & like a good foster-father carefully nourisht itt, & endeauoured to nourishe it in his owne occupation: but you childe contrarily was wholy deuoted to exercises of Actiuity, & when he began to write man, to Martiall sports, & at length by

<sup>4 &#</sup>x27;His account has been printed in the *Topographer*, V. i. p. 241, sq. 8vo, 1789. We follow' (says Sir F. Madden) 'the MS. itself, p. 1.'

his Signall Valour obteyned such renowne, ythe marryed ything of England's daughter, & last of all founde who was his true Father, & that he was Sonne to ything of Denmarke; & for ythe Comicke close of all, that Haueloke (for such was his name) exceedingly aduanced & enriched his Foster-father Grime, who thus enriched, builded a fayre Towne neare the place where Hauelocke was founde, & named it Grimesby. Thus say some: others differ a little in ything Circumstances, as namely, that Grime was not a Fisherman, but a Merchant, & that Hauelocke should be preferred to ythe King's Kitchin, & there liue a longe tyme as a Scullion: but however ythe Circumstances differ, they all agree in ythe consequence, as concerning ythe Towne's foundation, to which (sayth ythe Story) Hauelocke ythe Danish prince afterward graunted many immunityes. This is ythe famous Tradition concerning Grimsby wth learned Mr. Cambden gives so little creditt to, that he thinkes it onely illis dignissima, qui anilibus fabulis noctem solent protrudere.

And a little farther on he makes the remark, 'that Hauelocke did sometymes reside in Grimsby, may be gathered from a great blew Boundry-Stone, lying at yo East ende of Briggowgate, which retaines yo name of Hauelock's-Stone to this day. Agayne yo great Priviledges & Immunityes, that this Towne hath in Denmarke aboue any other in England (as freedome from Toll, & yo rest), may fairely induce a Beleife, that some preceding favour or good turne called on this remuneration. But lastly (which proofe I take to be instar omnium) the Common Seale of yo Towne, & that a most auncient one,' &c.

§ 12. The Grimsby seal. The copy of this seal, as it appears in the present edition, is due to the courtesy of J. Hopkin, Esq., of Grimsby, whose description of it (first printed, in a slightly different form, in *Notes and Queries*, 2nd Series, vol. xi, p. 41; see also p. 216) is here reproduced (with some abridgement) from Professor Skeat's edition.

The ancient Town Seal of Grimsby is engraven on a circular piece of brass, not very thick, inscribed 'Sigillym Communitatis

Grimebye'. Gryme ('Gryem') is represented as a man of gigantic stature, with comparatively short hair, a shaven chin and a moustache, holding in his right hand a drawn sword, and bearing on his left arm a circular shield with an ornate boss and rim. Between his feet is a conic object, possibly intended for a helmet, as it resembles the chapelle-de-fer worn by William Rufus on his Great Seal. On the right hand of Gryme stands Haveloc ('Habloc').1 Above Gryme is represented a hand, being emblematical of the hand of Providence by which Haveloc was preserved, and near the hand is the star which marks the point where the inscription begins and ends. Above Haveloc is represented a crown, and in his right hand is a battle-axe. In his left hand is a ring which he is presenting to Goldburgh ('Goldebyrgh'), who stands on the left side of Gryme, and whose right hand is held towards the Ring. Over her head is a Regal Diadem, and in her left hand is a Sceptre. Sir F. Madden states that it is certain that this seal is at least as old as the time of Edward I., and therefore contemporaneous with the MS., as the legend is written in a character which after the year 1300 fell into disuse.

§ 13. Localization of the Story. Lincoln and Grimsby are the centres of Havelok's activities; and the poet speaks familiarly of the former town, its bridge, ll. 875, 881, and its green, ll. 2828-9. The earliest French version is that of Gaimar, whose patroness, Constance FitzGilbert, was a Lincolnshire lady. Robert Manning, who first mentions the English story, and imitates lines from it, lived at Brunne (Bourne) in Lincolnshire. The local traditions mentioned by him and by Holles, with the Grimsby seal, point in the same direction. There, too, we should expect the strong Norse influence, and such grammatical forms as the rimes establish for the original draft of the poem. It is true that the extant MS. has probably passed through many copies, and no longer presents a pure dialect; but there is every reason to believe that Havelok was originally written in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> From a clear wax impression of this seal, Dr. Bradley points out that the letter hitherto read as B is really a combination of U and E. The combination is an unnatural one, and probably due to an afterthought. Perhaps after completing U the engraver found the space too short for the remaining letters.

DATE xxiii

Lincolnshire. If, then, it be admitted that the name Havelok is in itself a sufficient evidence of Celtic influence (see below, § 16), it is probable that this influence came from Cumberland rather than from Wales.

§ 14. Date. The date of the MS., which belongs to the early fourteenth century, gives a latter limit. The echoes of the poem in Robert Manning's Handlyng Synne¹ fix the date before 1303, in which year Handlyng Synne was written. In a letter to the Athenaeum, Feb. 23, 1889, Hales attempts to establish the earlier limit from internal evidence. He argues that Roxburgh first became a border fortress in 1296, and therefore could not well be referred to as marking the northern frontier before that date.² Again, the Parliament at Lincoln (l. 1178) must be the Parliament of 1301 (at which the Archbishop of York was present). And at l. 2521 there may be an allusion to the foundation of a Friary of Black Monks about 1280. For these and slighter reasons he would date the present poem about 1301.

The decisiveness of Hales's arguments, doubted at the time by Liebermann (Deutsche Zeitschrift für Geschichtswissenschaft, 1890, pp. 154 ff.), has been lessened by later research. In Englische Studien, vol. xxxii. 319 f., Van der Gaaf points out that there was a Parliament at Lincoln as early as 1226. Deutschbein, in a very interesting discussion of the date, pp. 159 ff., shows that Roxburgh came into English hands as early as 1174, in ransom for William of Scotland, and himself inclines to a date in the second half of the thirteenth century. The whole subject is one of

See notes to ll. 679-80, 819-20. The whole question of imitation is difficult in Middle English romances which are full of conventional phrases. But Manning's special connexion with the Havelok story makes these lines fairly sure evidence of imitation.
See ll. 130, 265.

great difficulty, and a most valuable contribution is made by Professor Skeat in his discussion of final -e. I

§ 15. 'If we were to accept the date as being about 1300, and the dialect as that of Lincolnshire, it would follow that the grammar of the Lay and that of the Handlyng Synne must be practically identical. But we are confronted by the obvious fact that they are nothing of the kind, nor could ever have been so. Compare, for example, ll. 1-100 with the ll. 5575-674 of Handlyng Synne, as given in Specimens of English, ed. Morris and Skeat, pp. 50-3. In ll. 1-100 of the Lay (omitting examples of final -en) there are at least 32 instances in which the scansion of the line is incomplete unless we suppose a final -e to be sounded (as e.g. in l. 10, we must read purt-e); and there are at least 66 lines with feminine rhymes, of which all but 10 involve a final -e. But in the 100 lines of Handlyng Synne, there are only 18 cases (not at the end of a line) where the scansion requires a final -e; and hardly 40 lines with true feminine rhymes, 6 of which involve no final -e. In other words, the Lay has 88 examples in which the final -e constitutes a syllable where Manning has but 52.2 If we compare another 100 lines, we shall obtain similar results; and even if these calculations be somewhat inexact, the general conclusion is not much affected. The difference in grammatical usage is very clearly marked. It seems to follow that, if the two poems were written in the same dialect, the Lay must have been originally written at a considerably earlier date; and that it acquired additions and alterations in the process of transmission from one

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cf. Schmidt, pp. 89-97. <sup>2</sup> In 100 lines of *The Owl and Nightingale* (in Morris, Specimens of English) there are about 150 examples of final -e. But this is a Southern poem, and perhaps as early as 1250.

reciter to another. Compare, for example, the following lines from *Havelok* and from Manning's *Handlyng Synne*, as regards the treatment of final -e:—

All-e gret-en swip-e sor-e; Hav. 236. But son-e ded-e hir-e fet-e; 316. Din-e cherl-es, pin-e hin-e; 620. Grim-es son-es all-e pre; 1399.

But to be por' bob' mek' and kynde; H. S. 5692. Dat be por' man of hym had; 5730. And boght' gret wunder and seben seyd; 5740. Unto a cherch-e bob' bey yede; 5777.

'We can only conclude that the extant copy shows the poem in quite a late stage, with just a few interpolations in it to bring it up to date. The first draft of the poem must surely have been composed earlier than 1300; but how much earlier it is impossible to say. That the dialect was, in the first instance, that of Lincolnshire, is consistent with the fact that we can still detect the characteristic suffix es of the pres. s. indicative as occurring in fifteen unambiguous rhymes (306, 396, 597, 1359, 1443, 1693, 1781, 1851, 1913, 2105, 2323, 2341, 2392, 2573, 2983); and the pl. suffix e at the end of ll. 1325, 2099, and 2583.'

§ 16. Historical Basis of the Story. In the French versions Havelok is called Cuaran (Cuheran, Coraunt); and Cuaran, which is a Celtic word meaning 'a sock, a brogue of untanned leather or skin', is the surname of a famous Viking, Olaf Sictricson, who was on the defeated side at Brunanburh in 937, and died in 981 (see Dictionary of National Biography). In Englische Studien, vol. iii. 533 ff., Storm first proved that Havelok is a form of the Celtic name Abloc, Abloec, &c., which is often substituted for the

<sup>1</sup> Lines 138, 139, 264, 265, can be omitted without injury to the sense. And l. 1176 has to be emended, in order to make ll. 1177-1180 fit in.

Norse name Olaf-r, OE. Anlaf. Whether they are phonetically equivalent is open to doubt, as M. Förster points out in Anglia, Beiblatt, vol. xiv, p. 13.

Hence until recently it has been assumed that the story of Havelok was the story of Olaf Sictricson, though the points of connexion were not very clear. Heyman, however, puts forward a new theory. He shows that the facts of Olaf's life have little in common with the events related in Havelok; and supposes that the deeds of King Swein, who became King of England in 1013, are really the basis of the Havelok tale, but have been fathered upon Olaf Sictricson. He considers further that in some points stories connected with Olaf Tryggvason, the conqueror at Maldon, have been fused into the lay. Quite independently, Deutschbein also denies anything more than a nominal connexion with Olaf Sictricson, and sees in the Havelok tale the deeds of Olaf's uncle Reginwald, again with some features from the life of Olaf Tryggvason.

If these divergent views point to any result, it is that the Havelok story corresponds to no history at all. Popular romances must not be taken too seriously, even when they contain historical names. Only two such names occur in the English story: Havelok, who on the evidence of other versions is identified with Olaf Sictricson, a tenth-century king; and his father Birkabeyn—Roger Hoveden's Swerre Birkebain, chief of the Birkibeinar, 1—who became King of Norway in 1184. The peculiar parallelism of the main events of the story, the repeated happy coincidences which are of its essence, belong not to history, but to the story-book.

§ 17. Legendary Elements. To discuss all the analogues of the *Havelok* story would require a volume in itself, for it uses many of the stock themes of romance.

<sup>1</sup> The name means 'wearing leggings of birch-bark'.

METRE xxvii

The flame of fire issuing from Havelok's mouth as he lay asleep (ll. 591, 1256) reminds us of Servius Tullius, around whose infant head flames were seen to play in his slumbers. The birth-mark which discloses his rank at a critical moment, his visions of conquest, the descriptions of the games and festivals, all these have their analogues in many mediaeval romances. More characteristic features of the story are also met with elsewhere. In the Introduction to his Hamlet in Iceland, London, 1898, Professor Gollancz discusses the possible connexion between Hamlet and Havelok; and more recently R. Zenker, Boeve-Amlethus, Berlin and Leipzig, 1905, has considered the same point, and extended the comparison to the Beves Romance. Deutschbein claims kinship with the Celtic Meriaduc Saga; and there are many points of contact with French romances. It cannot, however, be said in any one case that a definite relation in essential incidents has been proved beyond doubt.

§ 18. Metre. The natural method of scansion followed by Professor Skeat is fully explained in his article on 'The Scansion of English Poetry', printed in the *Phil. Soc. Transactions* for 1908; and in his *Chaucer*, vol. vi, p. lxxxiv. As yet many points in the history of Anglo-French and Middle English metres remain controversial, and our knowledge is certainly not precise enough to decide such minute points as the order of words in the verse, or the omission and addition of unstressed syllables, against the authority of the single manuscript. Smoothness to a modern ear is not a sufficient defence for emendation, because it is not known what the poet's ideal of smoothness was, or to what extent he attained his aim in practice.

The poem is written in rimed couplets, with occasional larger groups of verses riming together, as for instance ll. 87-105. Alliteration, the native habit, is rare, though

it appears in a few phrases like stark and strong; lef and loth; sory and sorful; felede his foos. Each line contains four stresses. For the rest, where the text is sound in grammar and sense, it is safest to give the MS. the benefit of any doubt, and to allow such normal licences as inversion of the accent, and substitution of one or three syllables for the typical disyllabic foot.

§ 19. The Rimes. The study of rime-words is of great importance; for while the body of the line, especially in a popular tale, is subject to continual alterations, the rimewords are comparatively stable. This may be seen by comparing the text of the later Cambridge Fragments. Hence the importance of rimes for determining the original text and dialect of the poem.

Many couplets as they stand in the MS. do not rime. Sometimes we have to do with conventional rimes, as at ll. 21-2 rym: fyn. Sometimes scarcity of rime-words may account for the deficiency, as at ll. 1101-2 shop: hok. The remainder were once explained as assonances; but in early texts which rime carefully—and Havelok is such a text—assonance is only to be assumed in the last resort. In general, a false rime in Havelok indicates corruption. Scribes sometimes substitute an English for a Norse word or form, as in the instances pointed out in the notes to ll. 1037-8 and 1397-8; sometimes they write an English alternative form instead of the original riming form; sometimes they blunder hopelessly.

So whenever a pair of words give a defective rime, it is necessary to consider the possible alternatives. In ll. 1698-9, for instance, the MS. has shewe: lowe. The source of the first word, OE. scēawian, according as the diphthong is stressed on the first or second element, yields ME. shewe or shawe; and shawe remains in the North, but

elsewhere becomes shōwe. In the same way OE. hlāw gives ME. lāw or lōw; but its by-form hlāw would give ME. lēw. Hence any of the rimes schewe: lewe; shawe: lawe; showe: lowe may have been in the original, as far as can be judged from this case. Again, ll. 2698-9 show gres: is; where gres has an alternative form gras, and is has an alternative Northern form es. Here we must choose the points of contact gres: es.

For inflexions and phonology, too, rimes are of the highest importance. But it is necessary to distinguish those which are decisive from those which are ambiguous. Thus in Il. 2282-3 plattinde: gangande, the rime might be restored by making both participles end in -inde, or -ande, or -ende, or -ing. The instance merely proves that the extant manuscript does not retain the original forms. But at Il. 1692-3 nedes: fedes, because nedes is the adverb, it is clear that the maker of the rime used the ending -es in the third person present indicative singular fedes. Or, to take a point of phonology, Il. 1924-5 her: per are ambiguous, since the known alternative forms har: par or hor: por would rime perfectly. But in Il. 234-5 sor: hor, the Norse form hor (har) is proved, since sor (sar) < OE. sār can have no e forms.

- § 20. Phonology. With this help it is possible to deal with some points in the phonology of the original.
- (1) OE. and ON.  $\bar{a}$  remains  $\bar{a}$  in the North, but becomes open o  $[\bar{\varrho}]$  in the South and most of the Midlands. In Havelok both forms appear in the extant MS.,  $\bar{\varrho}$  predominating. But the rimes show  $b\bar{a}pe$   $(b\bar{\varrho}pe)$  at ll. 2595, 2936, riming with rape < OE.  $hr\bar{a}pe$ , which has  $\bar{a}$  by lengthening in ME., but never o. On the other hand OE.  $sw\bar{a}$  gives in ME.  $sw\bar{a}$  and  $s(w)\bar{\varrho}$ , which latter, owing to the influence of w, has a by-form  $s(w)\bar{\varrho}$  with close  $\bar{\varrho}$ . This form

must be present in the rimes with II. 713, 2739 do < OE.  $d\bar{o}n$ , and with II. 325, 2136, 2961 to < OE.  $t\bar{o}$ . These instances are sufficient to prove that OE.  $\bar{a}$  had in some cases become  $\bar{\varrho}$  in the dialect of the original. Hence presumably Havelok was written in a district where both  $\bar{a}$  and  $\bar{\varrho}$  were possible, that is to say, in the North Midlands.

- (2) OE.  $\mathcal{Y}$  (umlaut of  $\tilde{u}$ ) remains in the South-west with the spelling u; appears as  $\tilde{e}$  in the South-east; and as  $\tilde{i}$  in the Midlands and North. Therefore the frequent rimes like ll. 587-8, 1253-4 fir: schir (OE.  $f\bar{y}r$ ,  $sc\bar{u}r$ ), and ll. 1379-80, 1419-20 inne: sinne (OE. innan, synn) are decisive, in the absence of conflicting evidence, for the North or Midlands.
- (3) ME.  $\bar{o}$  has two values, open  $\bar{\varrho}$  (the sound in law), and close  $\bar{\varrho}$ , as in French  $t\delta t$ . Open  $\bar{\varrho}$  normally derives from OE. or ON.  $\bar{a}$ , and  $\check{o}$  lengthened in open syllables. Close  $\bar{\varrho}$  derives from OE.  $\bar{o}$ ; and the two sounds are so different that they can hardly rime together. Apparent instances in Havelok are common so and l. 1805 two, where the close sound is due to the influence of w as explained above under (1); and ll. 789-90 hom:grom, a difficult rime.
- (4) In the same way ME.  $\bar{e}$  has two values, open  $\bar{e}$  and close  $\bar{e}$ , with sounds corresponding to air (roughly) and French  $\ell t \ell \ell$ . Open  $\bar{e}$  normally corresponds to OE. (Mercian)  $\bar{e}$ ,  $\bar{e}a$ , and  $\bar{e}$  lengthened in open syllables. Close  $\bar{e}$  corresponds to OE. (Mercian)  $\bar{e}$ ,  $\bar{e}o$ . In Havelok the word se < OE.  $s\bar{e}$ , 'sea' rimes close, e.g. at ll. 519, 553, 561, 581, 673, 719; as it does in other ME. texts which generally keep  $\bar{e}$  and  $\bar{e}$  apart. But in Havelok normal  $\bar{e}$  and  $\bar{e}$  commonly rime together, perhaps because in certain parts of the North and Midlands  $\bar{e} > \bar{e}$  before dental consonants d, e, e, e, e, e; see Bülbring, e e e Observe

for instance ll. 11-12 y-here : y-lere; ll. 244-5 reden : leden ; ll. 2084-5 bede : rede ; ll. 995-6 clene : grene.

- (5) Where a text has any claims to belong to the thirteenth century, it is worth noticing what evidence it contains for the lengthening of short vowels in open syllables. In the great majority of cases such vowels in Havelok rime only with themselves. There are only two clear indications of lengthening in Teutonic rime pairs: ll. 2594, 2937 rape OE. hrape which rimes with bape. Further see the notes to ll. 55-6, 1331-32, and 2496-7.
- § 21. The Phonology of some Norse words. Havelok is saturated with Norse words. Indeed their number is so great as to be in itself evidence of composition in some stronghold of Norse influence, such as Lincolnshire is known to have been. Here we have indeed a mixed dialect. The poet uses at will a Norse flexional form like the plural hend, 'hands', and prefers Norse words where the English would pass as well for rime, e.g. ll. 240-1, laten: graten or ll. 1800-1, coupe: loupe, where the English leten: greten, chepe: lepe would, in form at least, have served. In many cases, as is shown in the Notes, English copyists have removed the Norse forms, often spoiling the rimes. A few general tests of Norse loan-words are here given, and the references must be sought in the Glossary.
- (1) To Non-WS. ē (WS. ē), which becomes ē in ME., corresponds an ON.  $\bar{a}$ , which in ME. becomes  $\bar{\rho}$  in the South and South Midlands, but remains  $\bar{a}$  in the North.

Hence the ON. vārum, hār ('hair'), lāta, grāta, rāða, rād, yield in the poem the forms wore (ware), hor, late, grate, rope, rab, while the corresponding English words with  $\tilde{z}$  or  $\tilde{\epsilon}$ yield ME. wēre, hēr, lēte, grēte, rēden, rēd, all of which occur in Havelok.

(2) To OE.  $\bar{a}$ , which yields in ME.  $\bar{a}$  or  $\bar{\varrho}$  as above,

corresponds ON. ei. Hence ON. ei, greifi, bleik-r, veik-r, -leik-r (suffix), leik-r, leika, svein-n, keisari, teit-r, beita, leita, greiða appear as ay, greyue, bleike, wayke, (hende)-leik, leyk, layke, sweyn, caysere, teyte, beite, leite, greyþe, of which words bleike has a corresponding English form blake, 'white', in the poem, while bon corresponds to (Birki)bein.

(3) To OE.  $\bar{e}a$ , which yields in ME.  $\bar{e}$ , corresponds an ON. au ( $\bar{o}$ ), which appears in ME. as ou, ow, ( $\bar{o}$ ). Hence \*pauh ( $p\bar{o}h$ ), auk ( $\bar{o}k$ ), gaula, kaupa, laupa, rauta, blaut-r appear as pou(h), ok, goulen, coupe, loupe, rowte, bloute; besides which occur the English forms pey(h), ek, lepe.

(4) OE. k+a front vowel yields in ME. ch, whereas ON. k remains unpalatalized. Hence ON. kirkja, serk-r, kriki give kirke, serk, crice. Havelok shows no instance of chirche < OE. cirice.

(5) In the same way ON. has g, where OE. has the palatalized sound in modern bridge. Hence, as the rimes prove, rig is ON. hrygg-r, not OE. hryg, modern ridge; lenge is ON. lengja, not OE. lengan.

Other divergent forms are wil<0N. vill-r, not OE. wilde; sterne<0N. stjarna, not OE. steorra; brini<0N. brynja, not OE. byrne. For further borrowings see the Glossary.

§ 22. Inflexions. Nouns. As regards the nouns employed, we may remark that the final e is almost always sounded in the oblique cases, and especially in the dative case; as in nedè, stedè, &c. (see ll. 86–105); willè, 85; wisè, 1713; blissè, 2187; cricè, 2450; cf. the adjectives lessè, 1830; longè, 2299; also the nominatives rosè, 2919; newè, 2974; and the genitives herte, 70; mere, 2478; with e<OE. -an. In the plural, the final e is fully pronounced in adjectives: allè, 2; hardè, 143; bleikè, 470; starkè, 1015; &c.; and it is common in weak singulars such as (be) beste,

87. Not only does the phrase none kines, of no kind, occur in 11. 861, 1140, but we find the unusual phrase neuere kines, of never a kind, in 1. 2691; though neuere is here almost certainly an error for none. Among the numerals, we find not only pre (1399), but ON. prinne.

Pronouns. In the MS. the first personal pronoun occurs in many forms in the nominative, as i, y, hi, ich, ic, hic, and even ihc; the oblique cases take the form me. For the second person, we have bu, bou, in the nominative, and also tu, when preceded by pat, as in l. 2903. We may notice also hijs for his, 47; he for they (generally); sho, 112, scho, 126, sche, 1721, for she. The forms she and sho are explained in the New Eng. Dict. as different developments of OE. seo, feminine article. Note the peculiar dual form unker, of you two, 1882; and the pl. es, 'them', for which see the Glossary. This es or is is possibly short for his, actually used in the accusative plural, though some equate it to the G. sie; see the two articles on + His in the New Eng. Dict. The most noteworthy possessive pronouns are mine, pl. 1365; bine, pl. 620; his or hise, pl. hise, 34; ure, 606; youres, 2801; hire, 84, 2918, with which cf. the dat. sing. hire of the personal pronoun, 300. Dis is plural, and means these, in 1. 1145; but in 1. 606 it is short for bis is. As in other old English works, men is frequently an impersonal pronoun, answering to the French on, and is followed by a singular verb; as in men ringes, 390; men seyth and suereth, 647; men fetes, 2341; men nam, 900; men birbe, 2101; men dos, 2434; cf. folk sau, 2410; but there are a few instances of its use with a plural verb, as men haueden, 901, men shulen, 747. The former is the more usual construction.

Verbs. The infinitives of verbs rarely have y- prefixed; three examples are y-here, 11; y-lere, 12; y-se, 334. Nor

is the same prefix common before past participles; yet we find i-gret, 163; i-groten, 285; and i-maked, 5, as well as maked, 23. Infinitives end commonly in -en or -e, as riden, 26, y-lere, 12; also in -n, as don, 117, leyn, 718; notice also forms like flo, 612; slo, 1364; fle, 1195. The present singular, 3rd person, of the indicative, ends both in -es or -s, and -eth or -th, the former being the more usual. Examples are longes, 396, 1443, haldes, 1382, fedes, 1693, bes, 1744, comes, 1767, leues, 1781, 2105, glides, 1851, parnes, 1913, haues, 1952, etes, 2036, beres, 2323, fetes, 2341, bedes, 2392, ledes, 2573, strenes, 2983; dos, 1913; also eteth, 672, haueth, 804, bikenneth, 1269, suereth, dereth, 647, 648; lib, 673, doth, 1876. The form of the 2nd person is -est, in louest (before a vowel), 1663; but it is commonly -es, as haues, 688, etes, 907, getes, 908, slepes, 1283, weldes, 1359; cf. dos, 2390, slos, 2706, mis-gos, 2707; and this still more marked in rime, as wenes, 598. The same ending is observable in the past tense, as in dedes, 2393, reftes, 2394, feddes and claddes, 2907. The AS. meaht, miht, answers to maght, 1348; cf. ll. 689, 852, 1219. The subjunctive mood shows the forms bute pou gonge, 690, pat pu fonge, 856, &c.; cf. bede, 668. In the 3rd person, present tense, of the same mood, we have the -e fully pronounced, as in shilde, 16, yeare, 22, lese, 333, leue, 334, rede, 687; and in l. 544 wreken should undoubtedly be wreke, since the -en belongs to the plural, as in moten, 18. The plural of the indicative present commonly ends in -en, as, we haven, 2798, ye witen, 2208, bei taken, 1833; or, very rarely, in -eth, as ye bringeth, 2425, he (they) strangleth, 2584. Sometimes the final -n is lost; note wone, 1325, to-deyle, 2099, binde, 2583 (in rimes). The present tense has often a future signification, as in eteth, 672, etes, 907, getes, 908; and in beth, 1260, bes, 1744.

Note. The rimes show that the third person singular

in -es belongs to the original dialect of the poem (examine the examples). It was afterwards copied out in the south of England, by a scribe who frequently turned -es into -eth. The only examples at the end of a line are suereth, dereth, 647-8; instead of sweres, deres.

Past tense. Of the third person singular and plural of the past tense the following are selected examples. WEAK VERBS: hauede, 770, sparede, 898, yemede, 975, semede, 976, sparkede, 2144, pankede, 2189; pl. loueden, 955, leykeden, 954, woundeden, 2429, stareden, 1037, yemede, 2276, makeden, 554, sprauleden, 475. Also calde, 2115, gredde, 2417, herde, 2410, kepte, 879, fedde, 786, ledde, 785, spedde, 756, clapte, 1814, kiste, 1279; auhte, 743, lauhte, 744, bitauhte, 2212; pl. herden, 150, brenden, 594, kisten, 2162, ledden, 1246. Compare the past participles hosed, 971, mixed, 2533, parred, 2439, gadred, 2577; reft, 1367, keft, 2005, wend, 2138, hyd, 1059; told, 1036, sold, 1638, wrouht, 1352. There are also at least three past participles in -et, as spuset, 1266, slenget, 1923, grebet, 2615; to which add MS. weddeth, beddeth, 1127; this -et or eth is an AF. form of ed. In l. 2057, knawed seems to represent the modern 'knowed'; see the note.

Strong Verbs: third person singular, past tense, bar, 815, bad, 1415, yaf or gaf, 218, 315, spak, 2389, kam, 766 (spelt cham, 1873), nam, 900, kneu, 2468, hew, 2729, lep, 1777, let (spelt leth), 2651, slep, 1280, wex, 281; drou, 705, for, 2943, low, 903, slow, 1807, hof, 2750, stod, 986, tok, 751, wok, 2093; pl. beden, 2774, youen or gouen, 164, comen, 1017 (spelt keme, 1208), nomen, 2790 (spelt neme, 1207), knewen, 2149, lopen, 1896, slepen, 2128; drowen, 1837, foren, 2380, lowen, 1056, slowen, 2414, &c. By way of further examples, we may instance the singular forms bigan, 1357, barw, 2022, karf, 471, swank, 788, warp, 1061, shon, 2144, clef, 2643, sau, 2410, grop, 1965, drof, 725, shof, 892, fauth (= fauht),

1990; pl. bigunnen, 1011, sowen, 1055, gripen, 1790, drive for driven, 1966; also bunden, 2436, schuten, 2431 (also schoten, 1864, shoten, 1838), leyen, 2132, &c. Compare the past participles boren, 1878, youen or yeven, 1643, cumen, 1436, nomen, 2265 (also numen, 2581), laten, 1925, waxen, 302, drawen, 1925, slawen, 2000. The two last become drawe, slawe in ll. 1802, 1803.

We should also observe the past tenses spen (i. e. spende), 1819; stirt, 812, citte, 942, bere (subj.), 974, kipte, 1050, flow, 2502; and the past participles demd for demed, 2488, give for given, 2488, henged, 1429, plat, 2755.

Imperative Mood. Examples of the imperative mood singular, 2nd person, are et, sit, 925, late, 1376, bringge, 1381; in the plural, the usual ending is -es, as in lipes, 2204, comes, 1798, folwes, 1885, lokes, 2292, bes, 2246, to which set belong slos, 2596, dos, 2592; but there are instances of the ending -eth also, as in cometh, 1885, yeueh, 911, to which add doth, 2037, goth, 1780; MS. herknet (for herkneth), 1. Indeed, both forms occur in one line; as in Cometh swipe, and folwes me (1885).

Of reflexive verbs, we meet with me dremede, 1284, me haueth met, 1285, me pinkes, 2169, him hungrede, 654, him semede, 1652, him stondes, 2983, him rewede, 503. The present participles, curiously enough, end mostly in -inde, as fastinde, 865, grotinde. 1390, lauhwinde, 946, plattinde, 2282, starinde, 508; but we also find gangande, 2283, driuende, 2702. Compare the noun tipande, 2279, which is a Norse form, tidindi (pl.) being the Icelandic for 'tidings'. The suffix -ing occurs as a noun-ending only, never in the present participle. Examples of it are greting, 166, dreping, 1. e. slaughter, 2684, buttinge, skirming, wrastling, putting, harping, piping, reding, see ll. 2322-7; also coruning, 2948, ioying, 2949. Amongst the auxiliary verbs may be noted

the use of cone, 622, as the subjunctive form of canst; we mone, 840, answering to prov. E. mun, i.e. must. We should particularly observe the use of the comparatively rare verbs birp, it behoves, pa. t. birde, it behoved, and purte, he need; for which see the Glossary.

The prefix to- is employed in two senses, as explained in the Glossary, s. v. To-. In to-brised, to-deyle, &c., it is equivalent to the German zer- and Latin dis-; of its other and rarer use, wherein it answers to the German zu- and to the Gothic du-, there is but one instance, viz. in the word to-yede, 765, which signifies 'went to'; cf. Germ. zugehen, 'to go to', zugang (AS. togang), 'access', 'approach'. There are several instances of the peculiar syntax whereby the infinitive mood active partakes of a passive signification, as in he made him kesten in feteres, 'he caused him to be cast into fetters'; l. 81. It may be considered as a phrase in which we should now supply the word men, and we may interpret it by 'he caused [men] to cast him into fetters and to fasten him securely'; for in 11. 1784, 1785, the phrase is repeated in a less ambiguous form. See also l. 86. So also, in ll. 2611, 2612, we must consider keste, late, sette, to be in the infinitive mood. This construction is at once understood by comparing it with the German er liess ihn binden, he caused him to be bound. In l. 2352 appears the most unusual form ilker, written for ilk here, i. e. each of them. The word brie, 730, answers to the ME. adverb thrie, thrice, but it must be an error, possibly for yete; liues, 509, is an adverb ending in -es, originally a genitive case. Pus-gate is, according to Dr. Morris, unknown to the Southern dialect; it occurs in ll. 785, 2419, 2586; cf. hwilgat, 836.

§ 23. The Spelling. The manuscript spelling appears, at first sight, to be of a very lawless character, but is easily understood in the light of Professor Skeat's discovery (in

1897) that many of our earlier MSS., especially those of the thirteenth century, abound with spellings which can only be understood rightly when we observe that the scribe was of Norman birth, and more accustomed to the spelling of Anglo-French than to that of the native language of the country, which he had acquired with some difficulty, and could not always correctly pronounce. This curious phenomenon, due to the resolute attempt on the part of the Norman to acquire English, is fully explained in Professor Skeat's paper on 'The Proverbs of Alfred', read on May 7, 1897, and printed in the Transactions of the Philological Society for that year (p. 399). See also the canons in an Appendix to 'Notes on English Etymology', p. 471. With this clue, the spelling of our MS. becomes perfectly intelligible, and the English consonants are so easily recovered, that it seems convenient to restore the usual Middle-English spelling in a number of instances, and to relegate the Anglo-French spellings of the MS. to the bottom of the page, where every variation between the printed text and the MS. is carefully recorded, according to the notice at the bottom of p. 1. The correspondences between the AF. and ME. spellings are easily tabulated.

## MS. Spellings Removed to the Foot-notes.

- (1) g occasionally appears as gh in ghod, 255; bringhe, 65; hinghe, 66.
- (2) h is omitted in aueden, 163; auelok, 503; &c. Conversely h is added inorganically in her, 15; holde, 30; hayse, 59; &c.
- (3) hw frequently appears as w in Wo, 4; Wil, 6; with, 48; &c.
  - (4) -ht, commonly written ht or 3t in ME., appears as: ht very rarely, e. g. Riht, 1826.

th commonly, e. g. brouth, 84; nouth, 149; &c. b is not used in this value.<sup>1</sup>
cht in mouchte, 147 (bouthte, 1073, may be a slip).
cth in micth, 35; knicth, 77, 80; ricth, 78; &c.
ct in bitaucte, 206; awcte, 207; mowcte, 210; &c.
t in browt, 58; nowt, 123; knit, 2427; &c.

- (5) sh as s in sal, 628; same, 1941; sule, 2419; &c., and in fleys, 216, neys, 217.
  - (6) tas th in with, 48; woth, 213; leth, 252; neth, 808; &c.
  - (7) th as t finally in Herknet, 1; wit, 19, 52, 113; &c.
- (8) u as w in Hw, 93; &c., and, with loss of h, as w, 120; &c. Note the MS. in l. 288.
- (9) wu appears as w in wman, 174, 281; swngen, 226; wrpe, 434; wnden, 546; wlf, 573.

There are also a great many careless spellings, the commonest of which is the omission of a final consonant, here enclosed in brackets, e.g. hel[d], 109; gol[d], 357; forthwar[d], 731; lon[d], 340; we[l], 115, 287, 392; he[r], 142, 476, 639; hes[t], 354.

Less common is the omission of a medial consonant, as in k[n]aue, 481; b[r]igge, 881; goldebo[r]w, 1103.

Confusion between letters of similar form occurs in kayn for payn,<sup>2</sup> 31, 1327; and in Ke for He at the beginning of ll. 86, 87.

A certain number of the spellings consigned to the footnotes represent genuine English forms: such are *drinchen*, 553; *dreinchen*, 561, with common raising of the stem vowel; wilte, 528, 1135; *benkeste*, 578, with normal weakening of unstressed u to e; may(h)t, 641, 689, 845, 852, &c. Very likely here belong regular eueril-del, which seems to show an assimilation; and common an for and.

<sup>1</sup> The MS. has rithe, not ripe, at l. 1201.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On confusion of k: b see Zupitza, Anglia, vol. iii. 375.

#### MS. SPELLINGS RETAINED.

(1) qu for OE. hw is a common spelling in the North and Midlands, and points to strong aspiration. Examples are qui, 1650; qual, 753; Quanne, 134, 162; &c.

(2) r strongly trilled is indicated in the spellings boren:

koren, 1878-9; arum: harum, 1982-3, 2408-9.

- (3)  $\tilde{u}$  in the neighbourhood of letters of similar form like m, n, u, is written o for the sake of distinctness. Hence gome: trome,  $\gamma$ -8, represent OE. guma, truma; and wone: sone, 246-7, 1325-6, represent OE. wunian, sunu. In ll. 2580-1, comen: numen, both representations are found. This spelling first becomes common in the second half of the thirteenth century; see Napier, History of the Holy Rood-tree, E. E. T. S., 103, p. 85. The pronunciation remains  $[\tilde{u}]$ .
- (4)  $\bar{u}$  appears sometimes as u (w), sometimes as ou (ow), the French spelling. The riming pairs often show both forms, e. g. mouth: suth, 433-4; down: tun, 1630-1; crus: hous, 1966-7; wounde: grunde, 1978-9. This spelling hardly becomes general till the fourteenth century (see Napier, loc. cit.), and the pronunciation is of course always  $[\bar{u}]$ .

#### NOTE.

The following abbreviations are used in the foot-notes:-

E. = Ellis, 'Early English Pronunciation', London, 1869, Part ii, p. 470.

G. = Garnett; see E. E. T. S. edn., 1868, pp. liv f.

H. = Holthausen; the references are to Holthausen's first edition (1901), not the second (1910).
K. = Kölbing; see above, p. vii.

Mb. = Morsbach; see above, p. vii.

Z. = Zupitza; see above, p. vii.

# INCIPIT VITA HAUELOK

## QUONDAM

## REX ANGLIE ET DENEMARCHIE

JERKNETH to me, gode men, [Fol. 204, col. 1.] Wiues, maydnes, and alle men, Of a tale ich you wil telle, Hwo-so it wile here, and ber-to duelle. De tale of Hauelok is i-maked; Hwil he was litel, he yede ful naked. Hauelok was a ful god gome, He was ful god in eueri trome, He was be wihtest man at nede pat burte riden on ani stede. FO pat ye mowen nou y-here, And be tale ye mowen y-lere. At be biginning of vre tale, Fil me a cuppe of ful god ale; And [y] wile drinken, er y spelle, 15 Dat Crist vs shilde alle fro helle! Krist late vs euere so to do pat we moten comen him to; And, with-bat it mote ben so,

[Wherever corrected forms are given in the text, the exact forms in the MS. are quoted in the footnotes.]

<sup>1.</sup> Herknet. 3. tale pat ich (pat is superfluous); wile. 4. Wo. 5. is of hauelok. 6. Wil. 9. wicteste. 13. biginig (sic). 15. I supply y; her. 17. hence so for to. 19. wit.

20

25

Benedicamus domino!

Here y schal biginnen a rym,

Krist us yeue wel god fyn!

The rym is maked of Hauelok,

A stalworpi man in a flok;

He was pe [wihtest] man at nede

pat may riden on ani stede.

TT was a king bi are dawes, pat in his time were gode lawes He dede maken, and ful wel holden: Him louede yung, him loueden olde. 30 Erl and barun, dreng and thayn, Kniht, [and] bondeman, and swain, Wydues, maydnes, prestes and clerkes. And al for hise gode werkes. He louede god with al his miht, 35 And holi kirke, and soth, and riht; Riht-wise men he louede alle. And oueral made hem forto calle: Wreieres and wrobberes made he falle, And hated hem so man doth galle; 40 Vtlawes and theues made he bynde, Alle that he mihte fynde, And heye hengen on galwe-tre; For hem ne yede gold ne fe. In bat time a man bat bore 45 [Wel fifty pund, y wot, or more,] Of rede gold up-on his bac, [Fol. 204, col. 2.]

25. stalworpeste (read withest, as in l. 9).

15. ag. an.

26. Hym; louede holde.

27. Rirth (l).

28. See note, p. 205.

29. an.

29. Micth.

29. See note, p. 205.

29. micthe.

20. Supplied from conjecture; cf. ll. 653, 787.

29. 47. red; hijs.

In a male hwit or blac. Ne funde he non bat him misseyde, N[e] hond on [him] with iuele leyde. 50 panne mihte chapmen fare Durhut Englond with here ware, And baldelike beye and sellen, Oueral ber he wilen dwellen, In gode burwes, and ber-fram 55 Ne funden he non bat dede hem sham, Dat he ne weren to sorwe brouht, And pouere maked, and browht to nouht. panne was Engelond at ayse; Michel was svich a king to preyse, are 60 Dat held so Engelond in grith! Krist of heuene was him with. He was Engelondes blome; Was non so bold lond to rome. Dat durste upon his [menie] bringe 65 Hunger ne here, wicke binge. Hwan he felede hise foos, He made hem lurken, and crepen in wros: Dei hidden hem alle, and helden hem stille, And diden al his herte wille. 70 Riht he louede of alle binge, To wronge micht him no man bringe, Ne for siluer, ne for gold:-So was he his soule hold. To be faderles was he rath, 75

48. with.
51. micthe.
52. puruth; wit.
53. weren sone to (emit)
54. An; browt; nouth.
55. An; browt; nouth.
56. I supply menie; bringhe.
56. Pinghe.
57. Ricth.

### ATHELWOLD PUNISHES WRONG-DOERS

Hwo-so dede hem wrong or lath, Were it clerc, or were it kniht, He dede hem sone to hauen riht; And hwo-[so] dide widuen wrong, Were he neure kniht so strong 80 pat he ne made him sone kesten In feteres, and ful faste festen: And hwo-so dide maydne shame Of hire bodi, or brouht in blame, Bute it were bi hire wille, 85 He made him sone of limes spille. He was be beste kniht at nede Dat euere mihte riden on stede, Or wenne wagge, or folc vt lede: Of kniht ne hauede he neuere drede, 90 pat he ne sprong forth so sparke of glede, And lete him [knawe] of hise hand-dede, [Fol. 204 b, col. 1.]

95

100

Hu he coube with wenne spede; And oper he refte him hors or wede, Or made him sone handes sprede, And 'louerd, merci!' loude grede. He was large, and no wiht gnede; Hauede he [neure] so god brede, Ne on his bord non so god shrede, pat he ne wolde borwith fede Poure pat on fote yede; Forto hauen of him be mede Dat for vs wolde on rode blede,

76. Wo.
77. knicth.
82. And in feteres ful. 79. wo; didē. 78. ricth. 84. brouth. 80. knicth. 83. wo. 86. Ke (!). 87. Ke waste; knith. 88. heuere micthe. 90. 92. I supply knawe. 93. Hw. 97. wicth. 98. non (read neure). 99. fi (for non). 100. borwit.

Crist, that al kan wisse and rede pat euere woneth in ani pede.

105

¶ pe king was hoten Apelwold, Of word, of wepne he was bold; In Engeland was neure kniht, Dat betere held be lond to riht. Of his bodi ne hauede he eyr 110 Bute a mayden swipe fayr, pat was so yung pat sho ne coupe Gon on fote, ne speke with moube. Dan him tok an iuel strong. pat he wel wiste, and under-fong, 115 pat his deth was comen him on: And seyde, 'Crist, hwat shal y don? Louerd, hwat shal me to rede? I wot ful wel ich haue mi mede. Hu shal nou mi douhter fare? 120 Of hire haue ich michel kare: Sho is mikel in mi bouht, Of me self is me riht nowht. No selcouth is, bouh me be wo: Sho ne kan speke, ne sho kan go. 125 Yif scho coube on horse ride. And a thousand men bi hire syde; And sho were comen in-til elde, And Engelond sho coupe welde: And don of hem [pat] hire were queme, 130 And hire bodi coupe yeme,

108. knieth. 109. hel; rieth. 113. wit. 115. we(!); fong; see note. 117. wat. 118. wat. 119. woth. 120. W (=Hw=Hu). 122. bouth. 123. rith nowt. 124. bout. 127. Perhaps omit And (H.); thousande. 128. helde. 130. don hem of bar; (read bat G.). 131. An.

Ne wolde me neuere iuele like, Ne pouh ich were in heuene-rike!'

OUANNE he hauede pis pleinte maked, per-after stronglike [he] quaked. 135 He sende writes sone on-on After his erles euere-ich on: [Fol. 204 b, col. 2.] And after hise baruns, riche and poure. Fro Rokesburw al into Douere. That he shulden comen swipe 140 Til him, that was ful vnblibe, To pat stede per he lay In harde bondes, niht and day. He was so faste with yuel fest, pat he ne mouhte hauen no rest; 145 He ne mouhte no mete etc. Ne he ne mouhte no lybe gete; Ne non of his iuel pat coupe red; Of him ne was nouht buten ded.

ALLE pat be writes herden

Sorful and sori til him ferden;
He wrungen hondes, and wepen sore,
And yerne preyden Cristes ore,
Pat he [wolde] turnen him

Vt of pat yuel pat was so grim!

Panne he weren comen alle
Bifor pe king into the halle,
At Winchéstre per he lay:

133. Me pou; riche; (cf. ll. 2400, 2804). 142. pe (l). 143. nicth. 144. wit. 145, 146. mouthe. 146. hete. 147. mouchte. 149. nouth. 151. an. 153. hore. 154. I supply wolde.

'Welcome,' he seyde, 'be ye ay! Ful michel pank kan [y] yow That ye aren comen to me now!'

160

UANNE he weren alle set. And be king haueden i-gret, He greten, and gouleden, and gouen hem ille, And he bad hem alle ben stille; 165 And seyde, 'bat greting helpeth nouht, For al to dede am ich brouht. Bute nou ye sen bat i shal deve. Nou ich wille you alle preye Of mi douhter bat shal be 170 Yure leuedi after me, Hwo may yemen hire so longe, Boben hire and Engelonde, Til bat she wuman [be] of elde, And bat she mowe [hir] yemen and welde?' 175 He ansuereden, and seyden an-on, Bi [Iesu] Crist and bi seint Ion, That berl Godrigh of Cornwayle Was trewe man, with-uten faile; Wis man of red, wis man of dede. 180 And men haueden of him mikel drede. 'He may alber-best hire yeme, [Fol. 205, col. 1.] Til bat she mowe wel ben quene.'

P<sup>E</sup> king was payed of that rede;
A wel fair cloth bringen he dede,
And per-on leyde be messebok,

163. aueden, 166. nouth, 167. brouth, 168. nov. 170. douther, 172. Wo. 174. wman; supply be (Z.); helde. 175. ba; supply hir (H.). 177. Supply Iesu (E.). 179. wit. 182. hire alper-best. 184. Rede. 185. wol.

190

195

200

205

210

pe caliz, and be pateyn ok, pe corporaus, be messe-gere; per-on he garte be erl suere, pat he sholde vemen hire wel. With-uten lac, with-uten tel. Til bat she were tuelf winter old, And of speche were bold; And bat she coupe of curtevsye [Don,] and speken of luue-drurye; And til bat she louen mouhte Hwom so hire to gode thouhte; And bat he shulde hire yeue pe [hexte] man pat mihte liue, De beste, fayreste, the strangest ok:pat dede he him sweren on be bok. And banne shulde he Engelond Al bitechen in-to hire hond.

UANNE pat was sworn on [pis] wise, pe king dede pe mayden arise, And pe erl hire bitauhte,
And al the lond he euere awhte
[Of] Engelonde, eueri del;
And preide, he shulde yeme hire wel.

PE king ne mowhte don no more, But yerne preyede Godes ore; And dede him hoslen wel and shriue

191. wit. 192. For tuelf perhaps read twenti; see l. 259 (if so, emit )at); hold. 194. covpe. 195. Gon (read Don). 196. mithe(!); see l. 257. 197. Wom; thoute. 199. beste (read bexte, as in l. 1080); miche. 204. Ouanne (!); his (read pis). 206. bitaucte. 207. awete. 208. I supply Of. 210. mowete.

I wot, fif hundred sibe and fiue; And ofte dede him sore swinge, And with hondes smerte dinge; 215 So bat be blod ran of his fleysh, pat tendre was, and swipe neysh. He made his quiste swipe wel, And sone gaf it euere-ilk del. Hwan it was gouen, ne mihte men finde 220 So mikel men mihte him in winde, Of his in arke, ne in chiste, In Engelond, bat noman wiste: For al was youen, faire and wel, Dat him was leued no catel. 225

DANNE he hauede ben ofte swungen, Ofte shriuen, and ofte dungen, [Fol. 205, col. 2.] 'In manus tuas,' loude he seyde, Er bat he be speche leyde; To Iesu Crist bigan to calle, 230 And devede biforn his heymen alle. pan he was ded, bere mihte men se De meste sorwe that mihte be: Der was sobbing, siking, and sor, Handes wringing, and drawing bi hor. 235 Alle greten swipe sore, Riche and poure pat pere wore; And mikel sorwe haueden alle, Leuedyes in boure, knihtes in halle.

213. woth; sipes. 214. An. 215. wit. 216. fleys. 217. neys. 218, 219. *MS. transposes.* 220. Wan; micte. 221. micte. 226. swngen. 229. Her. 232, 233. micte. 238. An. 239. knictes

UAN pat sorwe was somdel laten, 240 And he haueden longe graten, Belles deden he sone ringen, Monkes and prestes messe singen; And sauteres deden he manie reden. pat God self shulde his soule leden 245 Into heuene, biforn his sone, And per with-uten ende wone. pan he was to be erbe brouht, pe riche erl ne foryat nouht, Dat he ne dede al Engelond 250 Sone sayse intil his hond; And in be castels let he do De knihtes he mihte tristen to; And alle be Englis dede he sweren, Dat he shulden him god fey beren; 255 He yaf alle men bat god [him] bouhte, Liuen and deven til bat [he] mouhte, Til bat be kinges dowhter wore Tuenti winter old, and more.

PANNE he hauede taken pis oth
Of erles, baruns, lef and loth,
Of knihtes, cherles, fre and pewe,
Iustíses dede he maken newe,
Al Engelond to faren porw,
Fro Douere into Rokesborw.
Schiréues he sette, bedels, and greyues,
Grith-sergeans, with longe gleyues,

247. wit uten hende. 248. brouth. 249. nouth. 252. leth. 253. knictes; micte. 254. swere (see l. 255). 255. ghod. 257. him (read he); mouete. 258. dowter. 259. hold. 262. knictes. 267. wit.

To yemen wilde wodes and papes
Fro wicke men, that wolde don scapes;
And forto hauen alle at his cri,
At his wille, at his merci;
Pat non him durste ben ageyn,
Erl ne barun, kniht ne sweyn.
Wislike, for sothe, was him wel
Of folc, of wepne, of catel.
Soplike, in a litel prawe,
Al Engelond of him stod awe;
Al Engelond was of him adrad
So is pe beste fro pe gad.

PE kinges douhter gan [to] priue,
And wex pe fayrest wuman on liue.

Of alle pewes was she wis,
pat gode weren, and of pris.
pe mayden Goldeboru was hoten;
For hire was mani a ter igroten.

UANNE pe Erl Godrich him herde
Of pat mayden, hu wel she ferde;
Hu wis sho was, hu chaste, hu fayr,
And pat sho was pe rihte eyr
Of Engelond, of al pe rike:—
po bigan Godrich to sike,
And seyde, 'Hweper she sholde be
Quen and leuedi ouer me?
Hweper sho sholde al Engelond,

272. durste ben him. 273. knict. 274. soth. 276. lite (1). 278. adred, altered to adrad. 279. his. 280. douther bigan; read douhter gan to H. 281. wman. 282. w (!); for was. 287. hw we he ferde (!). 288. Hw; w (for 2nd hu); hw. 289. rithe. 292. weber.

And me, and mine, hauen in hire hond? 295 Dabeit hwo it hire thaue! Shal sho it neuere more haue. Sholde ic yeue a fol, a berne, Engelond, bouh sho it yerne? Dabeit hwo it hire yeue 300 Euere-more bwil i line! Sho is waxen al to prud. For gode metes, and noble shrud, Dat ic haue youen hire to ofte; Ic haue yemed hire to softe. 305 Shal it nouht ben als sho benkes: "Hope maketh fol man ofte blenkes." Ich haue a sone, a ful fayr knaue, He shal Engelond al haue. He shal [ben] king, he shal ben sire, 310 So brouke i euere mi blake swire!'

He shal [ben] king, he shal ben sire,

So brouke i euere mi blake swire!'

HWAN pis trayson was al pouht,
Of his oth ne was him nouht.

He let his oth al ouer-ga,
perof ne yaf he nouht a stra;
But sone dede hire fete,
Er he wolde eten ani mete,
Fro Winchéstre, per sho was,
Also a wicke traytúr Iudas;
And dede leden hire to Doure,
pat standeth on pe seis oure;
And perinne dede hire fede
Pourelike in feble wede.

299. bou. 302. alto. 304. hic; offte. 305. Hic. 306. nouth. 310. I supply ben. 312. bouth. 313. nouth. 315. nouth. 317. heten. 322. berhinne.

325

Pe castel dede he yemen so

Pat non ne mihte comen hire to

Of hire frend, with [hir] to speken,

Pat euere mihte hire bale wreken.

F Goldeboru shul we nou laten,
pat nouht ne blinneth forto graten

Per sho liggeth in prisoun:

Iesu Crist, that Lazarun

To liue brouhte fro dede bondes,
He lese hire with hise hondes;
And leue sho mo[te] him y-se

Heye hangen on galwe-tre,

pat hire haued in sorwe brouht,

So as sho ne misdede nouht!

SAY we nou forth in ure spelle!

In pat time, so it bifelle,

Was in pe lond of Denemark

A riche king, and swype stark.

Pe name of him was Birkabeyn,

He hauede mani kniht and sueyn,

He was fayr man, and [swipe] wiht,

Of bodi he was pe beste kniht

Pat euere mihte leden ut here,

Or stede on ride, or handlen spere.

Pre children hauede he bi his wif,

He hem louede so his lif.

325. micte.

327. heuere micte.

329. nouth.

332. broucte.

333. wit.

334. mo (1); see 1. 406 (Z.).

336. brouth.

337. nouth.

338. Sawe nou; hure.

340. lon.

342. b (for be).

343. knict.

344. I supply swipe (see 1. 1651);

wicth.

345. knicth.

346. micte; uth.

347. onne.

348.

He hauede a sone [and] doubtres two,

Swipe fayre, as fel it so.

He pat wile non forbere,

Riche ne poure, king ne kaysére,

Deth him tok þan he best wolde

Liuen, but hyse dayes were fulde;

\$\text{pat}\$ he ne moubte no more liue,

For gold ne siluer, ne for no gyue.

HWAN he pat wiste, rape he sende
After prestes fer and hende,
Chanounes gode, and monkes bebe,
Him for to wisse, and to rede;
Him for to hoslen, and forto shriue, [Fol. 206, col. 1.]
Hwil his bodi were on liue.

His quiste maked, and for him gyuen,
His quiste maked, and for him gyuen,
His knihtes dede he alle site;
For porw hem he wolde wite
Hwo mihte yeme hise children yunge,
Til pat he koupen speken with tunge;
Speken and gangen, on horse riden,
Knihtes and sweynes bi here siden.
He spoken per-of, and chosen sone
A riche man [pat,] under mone,
Was pe trewest, [as] he wende,
Godard, pe kinges oune frende;

354. bes (f).
350. bole.
361. forthm to (the hm being expuncted); Rede.
362. hoslon an.
364. Insert wel H.
360. knictes.
368. micte.
369. wit.
371. Knictes an.
372. offe.
373. was under; read bat under Z.
374. bat he; read as he Z.

And seyden, he mouchte hem best loke, Yif bat he hem vndertoke, Til hise sone mouhte bere Helm on heued, and leden vt here, In his hand a spere stark, 380 And king ben maked of Denemark. He wel trowede pat he seyde, And on Godard handes leyde; And seyde, 'Here bi-teche i be Mine children alle bre, 385 Al Denemark, and al mi fe, Til bat mi sone of elde be; But pat ich wille, pat pou suere On auter, and on messe-gere, On be belles bat men ringes, 390 On messe-bok be prest on singes, Dat bou mine children shalt wel yeme. pat hire kin be ful wel queme, Til mi sone mowe ben kniht; panne biteche him bo his riht, 395 Denemark, and bat bertil longes, Casteles and tunes, wodes and wonges.

ODARD stirt up, and swor al pat
pe king him bad, and sipen sat
Bi pe knihtes, pat per ware,
pat wepen alle swipe sare
For pe king pat deide sone:
Lesu Crist, that makede mone
On pe mirke niht to shine,

376. Mouethe. 392. we (!). 400. knictes. 378. Mouthe. 394. knicth. 404. nith. 387. helde. 395. Ricth. 388. jo. 398. an.

Wite his soule fro helle pine;

And leue pat it mote wone

In heuene-riche with Godes sone! [Fol. 206, col. 2.]

H WAN Birkabeyn was leyd in graue, pe erl dede sone take pe knaue, Hauelok, bat was be eir. 410 Swanborow, his sister, Elfled, be [fair,] And in be castel dede hem do, Der non ne mihte hem comen to Of here kyn, ber bei sperd wore; per he greten ofte sore, 415 Bobe for hunger and for kold, Or he weren bre winter old. Feblelike he gaf hem clobes, He ne yaf a note of hise obes; He hem [ne] clopede riht, ne fedde, 420 Ne hem dede richelike be-bedde. panne Godard was sikerlike Vnder God be moste swike. Dat eure in erbe shaped was, With-uten on, be wike Iudas. 425 Haue he be malisun to-day Of alle bat eure speken may! Of patriarke, and of pope, And of prest with loken kope, Of monekes and hermites bobe!... 430 And of be leue holi rode [par] God him-selue ran on blode!

411. helfied be toper (which will not rhyme); read be fair; cf. ll. 605-6. 412. he hem; omit he. 413. micte. 414. were; but see l. 237. 417. hold. 420. I supply ne; rith. 421. ne dede; omit ne. 428. patriark. 431. holi rode written over an erasure. 432. Pat.

Crist him warie with his mouth! Waried wurthe he of norb and suth! Of alle men, bat speken kunne, 435 Of Crist, bat made mone and sunne! panne he hauede of al be lond pe folk al tilled in-til his hond, And alle haueden sworen him oth, Riche and poure, lef and loth, 440 Dat he sholden hise wille freme, And bat he shulden him nouht greme. He bouhte a ful strong trechery, A trayson and a felony, Of be children forto make: 445 De deuel of helle him sone take!

WAN pat was pount, onon he ferde To be tour ber he woren sperde, ber he greten for hunger and cold: De knaue, bat was sumdel bold, 450 Kam him ageyn, on knes him sette, And Godard ful feyre he ber grette. [Fol. 206 b, col. 1.] And Godard seyde, 'Hwat is you? Hwi grete ye and goulen nou?' 'For us hungreth swipe sore,' 455 Seyden he, '[We] wolden more: We ne haue to ete, ne we ne haue Herinne neyther kniht ne knaue Dat yeueth us drinken, ne no mete, Haluendel bat we moun etc. 460

433. warie him. 434. wrthe. 435. Offe; man. 436. maude. 438. Al þe folk. 442. shulde; nouth. 443. þouthe. 447. þouth. 453. wat; yw. 456. supply We. 457. hete. 458. knith.

Wo is us pat we weren born! Weilawei! nis it no korn pat men mihte maken of bred? Us hungreth [so], we aren ney ded.'

ODARD herde here wa. 465 Ther-of yaf he nouht a stra, But tok be maydnes bothe samen, Al-so it were up-on his gamen; Al-so he wolde with hem levke. Pat weren for hunger grene and bleike. 470 Of boben he karf on-two here protes, And siben hem alto grotes. Der was sorwe, hwo so it sawe, Hwan be children bi be wawe Leyen and sprauleden in be blod: 475 Hauelok it saw, and ber-bi stod. Ful sori was bat seli knaue, Mikel dred he mouhte haue; For at hise herte he saw a knif, For to reuen him hise lyf. 480 But be knaue, bat litel was, He knelede bifore pat Iudas, And seyde, 'Louerd, merci nou! Manrede, louerd, biddi you! Al Denemark i wile you yeue, 485 To pat forward bu late me liue; Here i wile on boke swere, Dat neure more ne shal i bere

463. micte. 464. bs (for ws = us); see 1. 455: supply so. 466. offe; nouth. 468. hiis. 473. wo. 474. b (for be). 476. be (for bere = ber). 478. mouthe. 481. kaue (1). 482. bifor. 483. nov. 487. hi.

Ayen be, louerd, sheld ne spere, Ne ober wepne that may you dere. 490 Louerd, haue merci of me! To-day i wile fro Denemark fle, Ne neuere more comen ageyn: Sweren y wole, bat Bircabein Neuere yete me ne gat:'-495 Hwan be deuel herde bat, Sum-del bigan him forto rewe; [Fol. 206 b, col. 2.] With-drow be knif, bat was lewe Of be seli children blod. per was mirácle fair and god, 500 pat he be knaue nouht ne slou, But for rewnesse him with-drow. Of Hauelok rewede him ful sore, And bouh he wolde bat he ded wore, But on pat he [nolde] with his hend 505 Ne drepe him nouht, bat fule fend! pouhte he, als he him bi-stod, Starinde als he were wod: 'Yif y late him liues go, He mihte me wirchen michel wo. SIO Grith ne get y neuere mo, He may [me] waiten for to slo: And yf he were brouht of liue, And mine children wolden thriue, Louerdinges after me 515 Of al Denemark mihten he be.

489. shel. 501. nouth. w (p), not p. 505. nouth wit. 512. I supply me.

490. wepne bere; omit bere.
502. fo (sic); wit, where the initial letter is an A.S.
503. auelok.
504. And boucte; read And bouh.
506. nouth.
517. brouct.
518. brouct.
519. micten.

#### 20 GODARD TELLS GRIM TO DROWN HAVELOK

God it wite, he shal ben ded, Wile i taken non ober red; I shal do casten him in be se, per i wile pat he drenched be; 520 Abouten his hals an anker god. Dat he ne flete in the flod.' Der anon he dede sende After a fishere, bat he wende pat wolde al his wille do, 525 And sone anon he seyde him to: 'Grim, bou wost bu art mi bral; Wiltu don mi wille al Dat i wile [nou] bidden be, To-morwen [i] shal maken be fre, 530 And auhte be yeuen, and riche make, With-pan bu wilt bis [knaue] take, And leden him with be to-niht, Dan bou sest be mone-liht, In-to be se, and don him ber-inne; 535 Al wile [i] taken on me be sinne.' Grim tok be child, and bond him faste, Hwil be bondes mihte laste, Dat weren of ful stronge line:-Do was Hauelok in ful strong pine. 540 Wiste he neuere er hwat was wo: Lesu Crist, bat makede go [Fol. 207, col. 1.] pe halte, and be doumbe speke, Hauelok, be of Godard wreke!

519. she (i); read se. 520. drench. 528. Wilte; see 681. 529. Supply nou. 530. Supply i. 531. aucte. 532. child; read knaue. 533. nicht. 534. see (sic) 540. For ful strong read stronge. 541. her wat. 542. to go; om. to H. 543, 544. speken, wreken (with n in later hand).

HWAN Grim him hauede faste bounden, 545 And sipen in an old cloth wounden, . . A keuel of clutes, ful un-wraste, pat he [ne] mouhte speke, ne fnaste, Hwere he wolde him bere or lede. Hwan he hauede don bat dede, 550 [As] be swike him [bad], he yede, Pat he shulde him forth [lede] And him drenchen in be sepat forwarde [ban] makeden he. In a poke, ful and blac. 555 Sone he caste him on his bac. And bar him hom to hise cleue. And bi-taucte him dame Leue, And seyde, 'Wite bou bis knaue, Al-so thou [wilt] mi lif [nou saue]; 560 I shal him drenchen in be se, For him shole we ben maked fre, Gold hauen ynou, and oper fe; pat haueth mi louerd bihoten me.' HWAN dame [Leue] herde pat, Vp she stirte, and nouht ne sat,

WAN dame [Leue] herde pat,

Vp she stirte, and nouht ne sat,

And caste pe knaue so harde adoune,

pat he crakede per his croune

Ageyn a gret ston, per it lay:

Do Hauelok mihte sei, 'Weilaweil 570

pat euere was i kinges bern—

546. eld; wnden. A line or two lost; see note.

548. Supply ne; mouthe.

551. Hwan (read As); hauede; read bad.

552. Supply lede (see l. 533).

553. drinchen (see l. 583).

554. Supply pan.

557. Ant.

560. with; read wilt G.; supply nou; haue; read saue H.

561. dreinchen him (see l. 553).

564. hauet.

565. Supply Leue.

566. nouth.

567. adoun so harde.

568.

pat him ne hauede grip or ern, Leoun or wulf, wuluine or bere, Or oper best, pat wolde him dere!' So lay bat child to middel niht, 575 bat Grim bad Leue bringen liht, For to don on [him] his clopes: 'Ne thenkestu nowht of mine obes pat ich haue mi louerd sworen? Ne wile i nouht be [nou] forloren. 580 I shal him beren to be se, pou wost pat [so bi-]houes me; And i shal drenchen him ber-inne; Ris up swipe, and go bu binne, And blou be fir, and liht a kandel:' 585 Als she shulde hise clopes handel On forto don, and blawe be fir, [Fol. 207, col. 2.] She saw ber-inne a liht ful shir, Also briht so it were day, Aboute be knaue ber he lay. 590 Of hise mouth it stod a stem Als it were a sunnebem; Also liht was it ber-inne So per brenden cerges inne. 'Iesu Crist!' [quath] dame Leue, 595 'Hwat is pat liht in ure cleue! [Ris] up, Grim, loke hwat it menes, Hwat is be liht [here], as bou wenes?' He stirten bobe up to the knaue-

573. wlf wluine. 575. nicth. 577. Supply 576. lict. 580. nouth; supply nou. 581. 578. thenkeste nowt. beren him. 582. Supply so bi. 584. an. 585. lith. 587. 589. brith. 593. lith. per (for be). 588. lith. 595. wat; read quath, as in 1. 606. 596. lith; vre. 597. Sir ( for Ris); and loke (om. and); wat. 598. lith; supply here.

'For man shal god wille haue'-	600
Vnkeueleden him, and swipe unbounden,	
And sone anon [upon] him funden,	
Als he tirueden of his serk,	
On his riht shuldre a kyne-merk;	
A swipe briht, a swipe fair:	605
'Goddot!' quath Grim, 'pis ure eir	
pat shal [ben] louerd of Denemark,	
He shal ben king, strong and stark;	
He shal hauen in his hand	
Al Denemark and Engeland;	610
He shal do Godard ful wo,	
He shal him hangen, or quik flo;	
Or he shal him al quic graue,	
Of him shal he no merci haue.'	
Dus seide Grim, and sore gret,	615
And sone fel him to be fet,	
And seide, 'Louerd, haue merci	
Of me, and Leue, pat is me bi!	
Louerd, we aren bobe bine,	
Dine cherles, pine hine.	620
Lowerd, we sholen be wel fede,	
Til þat þu conne riden on stede,	
Til þat þu conne ful wel bere	
Helm on heued, sheld and spere.	
He ne shal neuere, sikerlike,	625
Godard, wite, pat fule swike.	
poru oper man, louerd, than poru pe	
Shal i neuere freman be.	

602. Supply upon. 604. rith. 605. brith. 606. bis = bis is (read ur-ë). 607. Supply ben. 610. A (for Al). 622, 623. cone. 625, 626. neuere wite; but wite belongs to 1. 626, where I insert it. 628. Sal.

Dou shalt me, louerd, fre [man] maken, For i shal yemen be, and waken; 630 poru pe wile i [mi] fredom haue.' po was Haueloc a blipe knaue; [Fol. 207 b, col. 1.] He sat him up, and crauede bred: And seide, 'ich am [wel] ney ded, Hwat for hunger, hwat for bondes 635 Dat bu leidest on min hondes: And for [be] keuel at be laste, pat in mi mouth was prist [so] faste. Y was ber-with so harde prangled, pat i was ber-with ney strangled' 640 'Wel is me bat bu maght ete: Goddot!' quath Leue, 'y shal be fete Bred and chese, butere and milk, Pastees and flaunes; al with suilk Shole we sone be wel fede, 645 Louerd, in bis mikel nede; Soth is, bat men seyth and sucreth: "per God wile helpen, nouht ne dereth.

PANNE sho hauede brouht pe mete,
Haueloc anon bigan to ete

Grundlike, and was ful blipe;
Coupe he nouht his hunger mipe.
A lof he et, y wot, and more,
For him hungrede swipe sore.
pre dayes per-biforn, i wene,

655

629. Supply man. 634. Supply wel. 631. Supply mi. 638. Supply so. 637. Supply be. 639. þe 635. wat. (for here = her). 640. be (for here = her). 641. mayth hete. 643. an (for 1st and). 642. Goddoth. 647. it is (om. it); 648. nouth. 649. brouth. 652. nouth; Mile. seyt. 653. het; woth.

owas nauclor abbre hnauc elachun up and anucktice up feite ich am neyted user forthunger wat forwards ac yulcical on min loude nd for benchat yetage at in mimouth that yall have war rewat to hande prangled ar was releving ner mangled elume vat vumartilere 6 oddich quath leue phalyelere red an there butter and mith acres and flaunce at usich will. hole we come pewelfed oured myer withel nede other is parme legit and hiereth er god Wae belie nouth nederet ane to hance bround pomete baueloc anon bigato ete undlike and was fullive ourele nouth by hunger appe lofte let ylboth and more



Et he no mete, bat was wel sene. Hwan he hauede eten, and was fed, Grim dede maken a ful favr bed; Vnclopede him, and dede him per-inne, And seyde, 'Slep, sone, with michel winne! 660 Slep wel faste, and dred be nouht, Fro sorwe to ioie art bu brouht.' Sone so it was liht of day. Grim it under-tok, be wey To be wicke traitour Godard, 665 pat was [of] Denemark stiward, And seyde, 'Louerd, don ich haue pat bou me bede of be knaue; He is drenched in be flod, Abouten his hals an anker god; 670 He is witer-like ded. Eteth he neure more bred; He lib drenched in be se:-Yif me gold [and] ober fe, Dat y mowe riche be; 675 And with bi chartre make fre; For bu ful wel bi-hetet me, [Fol. 207 b, col. 2.] panne i laste spak with be.' Godard stod, and lokede on him poruh-like, with eyne grim; 68o And seyde, 'Wiltu [nou] ben erl? Go hom swipe, fule drit-cherl; Go heben, and be euere-more bral and cherl, als bou er wore.

661. nonth. 662. brouth. 663. lith. 666. Supply of H; denemak a (om. a). 674. Supply and; cf. l. 1225. 677. bi-hetet = bi-hete it. 678. last. 680. poruth. 681. Supply non.

Shaltu haue non oper mede; For litel [shal] i do pe lede To pe galues, so God me rede! For pou haues don a wicke dede. Dou maght stonden her to longe, Bute pou swipe hepen gonge.'

бдо

685

GRIM thouhte to late pat he ran Fro bat traytour, bat wicke man; And bouhte, 'hwat shal me to rede? Wite he him [liues], he wile [us] bebe Heye hangen on galwe-tre: 695 Betere us is of londe to fle, And berwen boben ure liues, And mine children, and mine wives.' Grim solde sone al his corn. Shep with wolle, net with horn, 700 Hors, and swin, [and geet] with berd, De gees, be hennes of be yerd; Al he solde, bat ouht doubte, pat he eure selle mouhte, And al he to be peni drou. 705 Hise ship he greybede wel inow, He dede it tere, and ful wel pike, Dat it ne doutede sond ne krike; per-inne [he] dide a ful god mast, Stronge kables, and ful fast, 710 Ores gode, and ful god seyl;

685. Shal (read Shaltu). 686. Supply shal; ig (with g expuncted). 689. Mait (for maght). 690. epen. 691. poucte. 692. pa (for 2nd pat). 693. poucte wat. 694. online; read lines (see l. 509) H; supply us H. 700. wit; neth wit. 701. Supply and geet; wit. 703. outh douthe. 704. moucte. 707. an. 709. Supply he. 711. an.

per-inne wantede nouht a nayl, Dat euere he sholde ber-inne do: Hwan he hauedet greybed so, Hauelok be yunge he dede ber-inne. 715 Him and his wif, hise sones prinne, And hise two doubtres, bat faire wore; And sone dede leyn in an ore, And drou him to be heye se, pere he miht alber-beste fle. 720 Fro londe woren he bote a mile, Ne were [it] neuere but ane hwile, [Fol. 208, col. 1.] pat it ne gan a wind to rise Out of be north, men calleth 'bise,' And drof hem intil Engelond, 725 pat al was siben in his hond, His, bat Hauelok was be name; But or, he hauede michel shame, Michel sorwe, and michel tene, And [vete] he gat it al bidene; 730 Als ye shulen nou forthward [lere], Yf that ye wilen per-to here.

In Lindeseye, riht at he north ende.

Der sat his ship up-on he sond,

But Grim it drou up to he lond;

And here he made a litel cote

To him and to hise flote.

712. nouth. 714. hauedet = hauede it.
718. dede he (*I omit* he). 720. mith; best.
723. higan; Rise. 730. brie; read yete H.
here (read lere); ef. ll. 12, 1640. 734. Rith.

717. doutres. 722. Supply it. 731. forthwar; 735. is. Bigan he pere for to erde,

A litel hus to maken of erbe,

74°

So pat he wel pore were

Of here herboru herborwed pere;

And for pat Grim pat place auhte,

pe stede of Grim pe name lauhte;

So pat Grimesbi [it] calle

[He] pat per-of speken alle;

And so shulen men it callen ay,

Bituene pis and domesday.

GRIM was fishere swipe god, And mikel coupe on the flod; 750 Mani god fish ber-inne he tok, Bobe with net, and [ek] with hok. He tok be sturgiun, and be qual, And be turbut, and lax with-al, He tok be sele, and [ek] be el; 755 He spedde ofte swipe wel: Keling he tok, and tumberel, Hering, and be makerel, De butte, be schulle, be bornbake: Gode paniers dede he make, 760 On til him, and ober brinne Til hise sones, to beren fish inne, Vp o-londe to selle and fonge; Forbar he neyber tun, ne gronge, Dat he ne to-yede with his ware; 765

739. erbe; read erde (see note).

743. aute.

744. laute.

745. calleth alle; read it calle.

746. Supply He; offe.

747. callen it.

752. neth; supply ek.

759. Butte; bornebake (pronounced pronounced)

759. Rutte; bornebake (pronounced)

Kam he neuere hom hand-bare, Dat he ne brouhte bred and sowel [Fol. 208, col. 2.] In his shirte, or in his couel; In his poke benes and korn:-Hise swink ne hauede he nowht forlorn. 770 And hwan he tok be grete laumprei, Ful wel he coupe be rihte wei To Lincólne, be gode boru; Ofte he yede it boru and boru, Til he hauede [al] wel sold, 775 And per-fore be penies told. panne he com benne, he were blibe, For hom he brouhte fele sipe Wastels, simenels with be horn, Hise pokes fulle of mele and korn, 780 Netes flesh, shepes, and swines; And hemp to maken of gode lines, And stronge ropes to hise netes; In be se he ofte setes.

PUS-GATE Grim him fayre ledde.

Him and his genge wel he fedde

Wel twelue winter, oper more:

Hauelok was war pat Grim swank sore

For his mete, and he lay at home:

Thouhte [he], 'ich am nou no grome;

Ich am wel waxen, and wel may eten

More pan euere Grim may geten.

Ich ete more, bi God on liue,

767. broucte. 770. nowt. 772. we (1); rithe. 775. wol (read al). 778. brouthe. 780. an. 784. se weren (om. weren): setes—set es. 787. twelf. 789. hom; see l. 822. 790. Thouthe; supply he; grom.

pan Grim and hise children fiue! It ne may nouht ben bus longe, 795 Goddot I y wile with [hem] gange, For to leren sum god to gete; Swinken ich wolde for mi mete. It is no shame forto swinken: De man bat may wel eten and drinken 800 [par] nouht ne haue but on swink long; To liggen at hom it is ful strong. God yelde him, ber i ne may, pat haueth me fed [un]to bis day! Gladlike i wile be paniers bere; 805 Ich wot, ne shal it me nouht dere, Dey ber be inne a birbene gret Al so heui als a net. Shal ich neuere lengere dwelle, To-morwen shal ich forth pelle.' 810

N pe morwen, hwan it was day,
He stirt up sone, and nouht ne lay;
And cast a panier on his bac, [Fol. 208 b, col. 1.]
With fish giuéled als a stac;
Also michel he bar him one 815
So he foure, bi mine mone!
Wel he it bar, and solde it wel,
De siluer he brouhte hom ilk del;
[Of] al pat he per-fore tok
With-held he nouht a ferpinges nok. 820
So yede he forth ilke day,

794. an. 795. nouth. 796. be; read hem (or bem). 801. pat; read par H; nouth. 803. ine (for i ne). 804. to; read unto. 806. woth; nouth. 808. neth. 810. nouth. 814. giueled; see note. 816. Cf. II. 1711, 1972. 818. brouthe; il. 819. Supply Of H. 820. nouth.

Pat he neuere at home lay.	
So wolde he his mester lere.—	
Bifel it so, a [ful] strong dere	
Bigan to rise of korn of bred,	825
That Grim ne coupe no god red,	
Hu he sholde his meiné fede;	
Of Hauelok hauede he michel drede:	
For he was strong, and wel mouhte ete	
More panne euere mouhte he gete;	830
Ne he ne mouhte on be se take	
Neyber lenge, ne bornbake,	
Ne non oper fish pat doubte	
His meyné feden with he mouhte.	
Of Hauelok he hauede kare,	835
Hwilkgat pat he mihte fare;	
Of his children was him nouht,	
On Hauelok was al hise pouht,	
And seyde, 'Hauelok, dere sone,	
I wene that we deye mone	840
For hunger, pis dere is so strong,	
And ure mete is uten long.	
Betere is pat pu henne gonge	
pan pu here dwelle longe;	
Hepen pow maght gangen to late;	845
Thou canst ful wel pe rihte gate	
To Lincólne, pe gode boru,	
pou hauest it gon ful ofte poru;	
Of me, ne is me nouht a slo.	
Betere is pat pu pider go,	850

 824. Supply ful H.
 827. Hw.
 829. mouthe.
 830.

 heuere mouthe.
 831. mouthe.
 832. Pronounced porenbak;

 cf. 1. 759.
 833. douthe.
 834. mouthe.
 836. Hwilgat;

 micthe.
 837, 838. nouth; bouth.
 842. hure; H. has eten (MS.

 aten).
 845. mayt.
 846. ricthe.
 847. borw.
 849. nouth.

For per is mani god man inne, per pou maght pi mete winne. But wo is me! pou art so naked, Of mi seyl y wolde were maked A cloth, pou mihtest inne gongen, Sone, no cold pat pu ne fonge.'

855

HE tok be sheres of be nayl, [Fol. 208 b, col. 2.] And made him a couel of be sayl, And Hauelok dide it sone on; Hauede [he] neyber hosen ne shon, 860 Ne none kinnes ober wede; To Lincólne barfot he yede. Hwan he kam ber, he was ful wil, Ne hauede he no frend to gangen til; Two dayes per fastinde he yede, 865 Dat non for his werk wolde him fede: De bridde day he herde calle: 'Bermen, bermen, hider forth alle!' [Poure pat on fote yede] Sprongen forth so sparke [of] glede. 870 Hauelok shof dun[e] nyne or ten Riht amideward be fen, And stirte forth to be kok, [per the erles mete he tok] pat he bouhte at be brigge: 875 De bermen let he alle ligge, And bar be mete to be castel, And gat him bere a ferbing wastel.

852. mayt (cf. l. 1348). 854. be were (I omit be). 855. mithest. 857. shres (!). 860. Supply he (cf. l. 864). 861. kines obe (sic). 863. be (for pere = per). 867. herde he (cf. l. 887). 869. Supplied from l. 101. 870. on; read of (as in l. 91). 872. Rith amidewarde. 874. Supplied. 875. bouthe.

TET oper day he kepte ok Swipe yerne be erles kok, 880 Til bat he say him on be brigge, And bi him mani fishes ligge. De erles mete hauede he bouht Of Cornwaile, and kalde oft: 'Bermen, bermen, hider swipe!' 885 Hauelok it herde, and was ful blibe pat he herde 'bermen' calle; Alle he made hem dune falle pat in his gate yeden and stode, Wel sixtene laddes gode. 800 Als he lep be kok [un-]til, He shof hem alle upon an hyl; Astirte til him with his rippe, And bigan be fish to kippe. He bar up wel a carte-lode 895 Of segges, laxes, of playees brode, Of grete laumprees, and of eles; Sparede he neyber tos ne heles Til bat he to be castel cam, pat men fro him his birbene nam. 900 pan men haueden holpen him doune With be birbene of his croune, pe kok [bi] stod, and on him low, And bouhte him stalworpe man ynow, [Fol. 209, col. 1.] And seyde, 'Wiltu ben with me? 905 Gladlike wile ich feden be; Wel is set be mete bu etes, And be hire bat bu getes.'

 579. kepte he.
 881. bigge (!).
 883. herles; bouth.
 884.

 cornwalie (for Corenwaile).
 888. made he; dun.
 901. doun.

 902. croun.
 903. Supply bi.
 904. boute.
 905. wit.

'GODDOT!' quoth he, 'leue sire, Bidde ich you non ober hire; 910 But yeueb me inow to ete. Fir and water y wile yow fete, De fir blowe, and ful wele maken: Stickes kan ich breken and kraken, And kindlen [ek] ful wel a fyr, 915 And maken it to brennen shir: Ful wel kan ich cleuen shides. Eles to-turuen of here hides; Ful wel kan ich dishes swilen, And don al bat ye euere wilen.' 920 Quoth be kok, 'Wile i no more; Go bu yunder, and sit bore, And y shal yeue be ful fair bred, And make be broys in be led. Sit now down and et ful yerne: 925 Dabeit hwo be mete werne!'

AUELOK sette him dune anon,
Also stille als a ston,
Til he hauede ful wel eten;
po hauede Hauelok fayre geten.
Hwan he hauede eten inow,
He kam to be welle, water up-drow,
And filde ber a michel so;
Bad he non ageyn him go;
Bi-twen his hondes he bar it in,
Al him one, to be kichin.

930

935

909. Soddot. 913. an. 915. Snpply ek. 018. to turuen (sic). 927. dun. 933. be (for bere = ber). 935. But bi-twen (om. But); barit. 936. A (for Al).

Bad he non him water fete. Ne fro brigge to bere be mete. He bar be turues, he bar be star, De wode fro the brigge he bar; 940 Al that euere shulden he nytte, Al he drow, and al he kitte; Wolde he neuere hauen rest. More pan he were a best. Of alle men was he mest meke. 945 Lauhwinde ay, and blibe of speke; Euere he was glad and blibe, His sorwe he coupe ful wel mipe. It ne was non so litel knaue. [Fol. 209, col. 2.] For to leyken, ne forto plawe, 950 pat he ne wolde with him pleye: De children that yeden in be weie Of him he deden al her wille, And with him leykeden here fille. Him loueden alle, stille and bolde, 955 Knihtes, children, yunge and olde; Alle him loueden bat him sowen, Boben heye men and lowe. Of him be word ful wide sprong, Hu he was mikel, hu he was strong, 960 Hu fayr man God him hauede maked, But-on bat he was almest naked: For he ne hauede nouht to shride, But a kouel ful unride. pat [was] ful, and swibe wicke, 965

937. to fete (om. to).

938. bigge (!); cf. l. 940.

942. citte.

949. Perhaps two lines are lost here.

951. wode (for wolde).

952. yden (!).

953. he (for here = her).

956. Knictes; holde.

958. heyemen; cf. ll. 2431, 2471.

959. ful wide þe word.

960. Hw; mike (!); hw.

961. Hw.

Was it nouht worth a fir-sticke. De cok bigan of him to rewe, And bouhte him clobes, al spannewe; He bouhte him bobe hosen and shon, And sone dide him dones on. 979 Hwan he was cloped, hosed, and shod, Was non so fayr under God, Dat euere yete in erbe were, Non bat euere moder bere: It was neuere man bat yemede 975 In kineriche, bat so wel semede King or cayser forto be, pan he was shrid, so semede he; For banne he weren alle samen At Lincólne, at be gamen, 980 And be erles men woren alle bore, Was Hauelok bi be shuldren more pan be meste bat ber kam: In armes him noman [ne] nam Dat he doune sone ne caste: 985 Hauelok stod ouer hem als a mast. Als he was heie, al[s] he was long, He was bobe stark and strong; In Engelond [was] non hise per Of strengbe bat euere kam him ner. 990 Als he was strong, so was he softe; Dey a man him misdede ofte, Neuere more he him [misseyde], Ne hond on him with yuele leyde. [Fol. 209 b, col. 1.]

966. nouth. 968. bouthe. 969. bouthe. 971. osed. 976. kinneriche. 981. al. 982. Pan was; emit Pan H. 984. Supply ne. 987. al. 987 ends with long; 988 ends with strong (g. l. 1063). 989. Supply was. 993. misdede; real misseyde E.; see ll. 49, 1688.

Of bodi was he mayden clene; 995 Neuere yete in game, ne in grene, With hire ne wolde [he] leyke ne lye, No more ban it were a strie. In pat time al Engelond perl Godrich hauede in his hond, 1000 And he gart komen into be tun Mani erl, and mani barun; And alle [men] pat liues were In Engelond, panne were pere, pat bey haueden after sent 1005 To ben per at pe parlement. With hem com mani champioun, Mani wiht ladde, blac and brown; And fel it so, bat yunge men, Wel abouten nine or ten, IOIO Bigunnen pere for to layke: Pider komen stronge and wayke; Pider komen lesse and more, pat in be borw panne weren pore; Chaumpiouns, and starke laddes, 1015 Bondemen, with here gaddes, Als he comen fro be plow; pere was sembling i-now! For it ne was non horse-knaue, pouh pei sholden in honde haue, 1020 Dat he ne kam bider, be leyk to se: Biforn here fet banne lay a tre, And putten with a mikel ston

996. Read Neuere in gardine (Kölbing).

997. wit (pit); read
With; for hire read hore (Kölbing); supply he.
1003. Supply men.
1004. englond; wer.
1007. chābioun (sic).
1009. An.
1011. be (for here).
1012. komen bobe; om. bobe.
1015. Chaunpiouns.
1020. po. 1023. pulten; read putten; cf. l. 1031.

De starke laddes, ful god won. pe ston was mikel, and ek gret. 1025 And al so heui so a net; Grund-stalwurbe man he sholde be Dat mouhte it liften to his kne: Was ber neyber clerc, ne prest, pat mihte it liften to his brest: 1030 perwith putten the chaumpiouns pat bider comen with be barouns. Hwo-so mihte putten bore Biforn a-noper, an inch or more, Wore he yung, [or] wore he old, 1035 He was for a kempe told. Al-so bei stoden, and ofte stareden, De chaumpiouns, and ek the ladden, And he maden mikel strout [Fol. 209 b, col. 2.] Abouten be alberbeste bout, 1010 Hauelok stod, and lokede per-til; And of puttingge he was ful wil, For neuere yete ne saw he or Putten the stone, or panne por. Hise mayster bad him gon ber-to, 1045 Als he coupe per-with do. Do hise mayster it him bad, He was of him [ful] sore adrad; perto he stirte sone anon, And kipte up bat heui ston, 1050 bat he sholde putten wipe; He putte, at be firste sibe,

1025. greth. 1026. neth. 1027. -wrpe. 1028. mouthe liften it. 1030. mithe liften it. 1031. perwit; chaunpiouns. 1033. mithe. 1035. Supply or; hold. 1037. pe (for pei); an; for stareden read gradden (K.). 1038. chaunpiouns. 1040. but. 1048. Supply ful H. 1051. puten.

Ouer alle bat ber wore, Twelue fote, and sumdel more. De chaumpiouns bat [bat] put sowen, 1055 Shuldreden he ilc oper, and lowen; Wolden he no more to putting gange, But seyde, 'we dwellen her to longe!' Dis selkouth mihte nouht ben hyd. Ful sone it was ful loude kid 1060 Of Hauelok, hu he warp be ston Ouer be laddes euerilkon; Hu he was fayr, hu he was long, Hu he was wiht, hu he was strong; Porhut England yede be speke, 1065 Hu he was strong, and ek [ful] meke; In the castel, up in be halle, De knihtes speken ber-of alle, So that Godrich it herde wel, De speke of Hauelok, eueri del, 1070 Hu he was strong man and hey, Hu he was strong, and ek [ful sley], And bouhte Godrich, 'boru bis knaue Shal ich Engelond al haue, And mi sone after me; 1075 For so i wile pat it be. King Abelwald me dide swere Vpon al be messe-gere, pat y shulde his douhter yeue

1054. Twel. 1055. chaunpiouns; supply \( \)at. 1058. we (pe). 1059. mithe nouth. 1061. hw. 1063. Hw; hw. 1064. Hw; with hw. 1065. poruth; speche; read speke, as in 1. 946. 1066. Hw; supply ful. 1068. knithes. 1070. speken, see note, p. 112. 1071. Hw. 1072. Hw; for streng read fayr H.; ek fri (!); read ek ful sley; see 1. 1084. 1073. pouthte. 1077. The king (om. The). 1079. shude; douthe.

## 40 GOLDBOROUGH TO MARRY THE STRONGEST MAN

pe hexte [man] bat mihte liue, 1080 pe beste, be fairest, be strangest ok; pat gart he me sweren on be bok. Hwere mihte i finden ani so hey So Hauelok is, or so sley? [Fol. 210, col. 1.] Doub y souhte heben in-to Ynde, 1085 So fayr, so strong, ne mihte y finde. Hauelok is bat ilke knaue pat shal Goldeborw haue.' Dis bouhte [he] with trechery, With traysoun, and with felony; 1000 For he wende, bat Hauelok wore Sum cherles sone, and no more; Ne shulde he hauen of Engellond Onlepi forw in his hond With hire, bat was ber-of [be] eyr, 1095 pat bobe was god and swibe fair. He wende, bat Hauelok wer a bral, per-boru he wende hauen al In Engelond, bat hire riht was; He werse was ban Sathanas IIOO Dat Iesu Crist in erbe shop: Hanged worbe he on an hok!

AFTER Goldeborw sone he sende, pat was bope fayr and hende, And dide hire to Lincolne bringe, Belles dede he ageyn hire ringen, And ioie he made hire swipe mikel, But nepeles he was ful swikel.

1080. Supply man; see l. 199 (H.); mithe. 1083. mithe. 1085. pon; southe. 1086. mithe. 1089. pouthe; supply he. 1090. wit. 1095. Supply be. 1099. rith. 1100. was werse; see l. 1134. 1103. goldebow.

1105

He seyde, pat he sholde hire yeue

pe fayrest man that mihte liue.

She answerede, and seyde anon,

Bi [Iesu] Crist, and bi seint Iohan,

pat hire sholde noman wedde,

Ne noman bringen hire to bedde,

But he were king, or kinges eyr,

Were he neuere man so fayr.

GODRICH be erl was swipe wroth pat she swor [ber] swilk an oth, And seyde, 'Hweber bou wilt be Ouen and leuedi ouer me? 1120 Dou shalt hauen a gadeling, Ne shalt bou hauen non ober king; De shal spusen mi cokes knaue, Shalt bou non oper louerd haue. Dabeit bat be ober yeue 1125 Euere-more hwil i liue! To-morwe sholen ye ben weddet, And, maugre bin, to-gidere beddet.' Goldeborw gret, and was hire ille, [Fol. 210, col. 2.] She wolde ben ded bi hire wille. 1130 On the morwen, hwan day was sprungen, And day-belle at [be] kirke rungen, After Hauelok sente bat Iudas, pat werse was banne Sathanas: And seyde, 'Mayster, wiltu wif?' 1135 'Nay,' quoth Hauelok, 'bi my lif!

1110. mithe. 1112. Supply Iesu; cf. l. 1101. 1114. to hire; read hire to H. 1118. I supply per. 1119. hwor; read hweper; cf. ll. 292, 294. 1124. Ne shalt; omit Ne. 1127. To mowe ye sholen; weddeth. 1128. beddeth. 1129. was (pas). 1132. Supply be; as in l. 1355. 1135. wilte.

Hwat sholde ich with wive do? I ne may hire fede, ne clobe, ne sho. Hwider sholde ich wimman bringe? I ne haue none kinnes binge. 1140 I ne haue hus, y ne haue cote, I ne haue stikke, y ne haue sprote, I ne haue neyber bred ne sowel, Ne cloth, but of an old whit couel. Dis clobes, bat ich onne haue, 1145 Aren be kokes, and ich his knaue.' Godrich stirt up, and on him dong [With dintes swipe hard and strong,] And seyde, 'But bou hire take Dat y wole yeuen be to make, 1150 I shal hangen be ful heye, Or y shal pristen ut bin eie.' Hauelok was one, and was adrad. And grauntede him al pat he bad. Do sende he after hire sone, 1155 De fayrest wymman under mone; And seyde til hire, [fals] and slike, pat wicke bral, bat foule swike: But bu bis man [wel] under-stonde, I shal flemen be of londe; 1160 Or bou shalt to be galwes renne, And per bou shalt in a fir brenne.' Sho was adrad, for he so brette, And durste nouht be spusing lette; But bey hire likede swibe ille, 1165

<sup>1137.</sup> wif. 1139. Wider. 1140. kines. 1141. hws. 1142. Ne i; omit Ne (H.). 1144. hold with. 1148. Supplied. 1152. vth; heie. 1153. odrat; see ll. 1048, 1163. 1157. Supply fals. 1159. Supply wel H. 1161. shal. 1164. nouth.

[Sho] bouhte, it was Godes wille: God, bat makes growen be korn. Formede hire wimman to be born. Hwan he hauede him don, for drede, pat he sholde hire spusen and fede, 1170 And bat she sholde til him holde, per weren penies bicke tolde, Mikel plenté upon be bok: He ys hire yaf, and she [is] tok. He weren spused fayre and wel, [Fol. 210 b, col. 1.] pe messe he dede, [and] eueridel 1176 pat fel to spusing, a god clerk, pe erchebishop ut of Yerk, pat kam [per] to be parlement, Als God him hauede bider sent. 1180

WAN he weren togydere in Godes lawe
pat pe folc ful wel it sawe,
He ne wisten hwat he mouhten,
Ne he ne wisten hwat hem douhte,
per to dwellen, or penne to gonge.

Per ne wolden he dwellen longe;
For he wisten, and ful wel sawe,
Godrich hem hatede, pe deuel him awe!
And yf he dwelleden per ouht—

Pat fel Hauelok ful wel on pouht—
Men sholde don his leman shame,
Or elles bringen in wicke blame;

1166. Supply Sho; bouthe. 1167. to growen; om. to. 1169. don him. 1174. as; read is H. 1176. deden; read dede, and supply and H. 1177. and; read a Z; clek (!). 1178. uth. 1179. Supply ber. 1183. monthen. 1184. wat; douthe. 1188. Pat godrich; I omit pat; hawe. 1189. outh. 1190. bouth.

## 44 HAVELOK RESOLVES TO GO TO GRIMSBY

pat were him leuere to ben ded. For-bi he token anober red, pat bei sholden benne fle 1195 Til Grim, and til hise sones pre; per wenden he alber-beste spede, Hem forto clobe, and for to fede. De lond he token under fote, Ne wisten he non oper bote, 1200 And helden ay the rihte [sti] Til he komen to Grimesby. panne he komen bere, banne was Grim ded, Of him ne haueden he no red; But hise children alle fyue 1205 Alle weren yet on liue; pat ful fayre ayeyn hem neme, Hwan he wisten pat he keme, And maden ioie swipe mikel, Ne weren he neuere ayeyn hem fikel. 1210 On knes ful fayre he hem setten, And Hauelok swipe fayre gretten, And seyden, 'Welkome, louerd dere! And welkome be bi fayre fere l Blessed be bat ilke brawe 1215 pat bou hire toke in Godes lawe! Wel is us we sen be on lyue, pou maght us bobe selle and yeue; Pou maght us bobe yeue and selle, With-pat bou wilt here dwelle. [Fol. 210 b, col. 2.] We hauen, louerd, alle gode, 1221 Hors, and net, and ship on flode,

1197. best to spede; read beste spede. 1201. ripe (= rithe = rithe); sti erased (but see l. 2618). 1207, 1210. ayen. 1217. hus. 1218. mithe. 1219. mayt. 1222. neth.

Gold, and siluer, and michel auhte. pat Grim ure fader us bitawhte. Gold, and siluer, and ober fe 1225 Bad he us bi-taken be. We hauen shep, we hauen swin, Bi-leue her, louerd, and al be bin! Dou shalt ben louerd, bou shalt ben syre, And we sholen seruen be and hire; 1230 And ure sistres sholen do Al that euere biddes sho; He sholen hire clopes washen and wringen, And to hondes water bringen; He sholen bedden hire and be, 1235 For leuedi wile we bat she be.' Hwan he bis ioie haueden maked, Sithen stikes broken and kraked. And be fir brouht on brenne, Ne was per spared gos ne henne, 1240 Ne be ende, ne be drake, Mete he deden plenté make; Ne wantede pere no god mete, Wyn and ale deden he fete, And maden hem [ful] glade and blibe, 1245 Wesseyl he ledden fele sipe.

N þe niht, als Goldeborw lay, Sory and sorwful was she ay, For she wende she were bi-swike, pat she were yeuen un-kyndelike.

1250

1223. auchte. 1224. bitawchte. 1229. þo. 1231. hure. 1233. clopen; read clopes, as in l. 2458. 1239. brouth. 1241. hende. 1245. made; supply ful. 1246. ledden he. 1247. nith. 1250. shere, evidently miswritten for she were.

## 46 GOLDBOROUGH SEES THE WONDROUS LIGHT

O niht saw she ber-inne a liht, A swipe fayr, a swipe bryht, Al so briht, al so shir So it were a blase of fir. She lokede norb, and ek south, 1255 And saw it comen ut of his mouth, pat lay bi hire in be bed: No ferlike bouh she were adred! pouhte she, 'Hwat may this bi-mene! He beth heyman yet, als y wene, 1260 He beth heyman er he be ded:'-On hise shuldre, of gold red She saw a swipe noble croiz, Of an angel she herde a uoyz:

GOLDEBORW, lat pi sorwe be; [Fol. 211, col. 1.]
For Hauelok, pat hauep spuset pe, 1266
[Is] kinges sone and kinges eyr;
pat bikenneth pat croiz so fayr.
It bikenneth more pat he shal
Denemark hauen, and Englond al; 1270
He shal ben king, strong and stark,
Of Engelond and Denemark;
pat shalt pu with pin eyne sen,
And pou shalt quen and leuedi ben!'

PANNE she hauede herd the steuene
Of pe angel ut of heuene,
She was so fele sipes blithe

1251. nith; lith. 1252. bryth. 1253. brith. 1255. nop. 1258. pou. 1259. pouthe; wat. 1267. He; read Is. 1273. shal; wit. 1274. po. 1276. uth.

pat she ne mihte hire ioie mythe; But Hauelok sone anon she kiste, And he slep, and nouht ne wiste Hwat pat aungel hauede seyd. Of his slep a-non he brayd, And seide, 'Lemman, slepes pou? A selkuth drem me dremede nou.

1280

ERKNE nou hwat me haueth met: 1285 Me bouhte y was in Denemark set, But on on be moste hil Dat euere yete kam i til. It was so hey, bat y wel mouhte Al be werd se, als me bouhte. 1290 Als i sat up-on bat lowe, I gan Denemark for to awe. pe borwes and be castles stronge; And mine armes weren so longe, That i fadmede, al at ones, 1295 Denemark, with mine longe bones; And banne y wolde mine armes drawe Til me, and [bouhte hem] for to [awe], Al that euere in Denemark liueden On mine armes faste clyueden; 1300 And be stronge castles alle On knes bigunnen for to falle, De keyes fellen at mine fet:-Anober drem me dremede ek, pat ich fley ouer be salte se 1305

1278. mithe. 1280. nouth. 1281. Hwan (!). 1284. dremede me. 1286. pouthe. 1289. mouthe. 1290. pouthe. 1292. bigan; read gan H. 1298. Supply pouthe H.; hom (read hem H.); haue (read awe), as in 1. 1292 (Hupe). 1304. dremede me.

## 48 SHE SAYS HAVELOK WILL BE A GREAT KING

Til Engeland, and al with me pat euere was in Denemark lyues, But bondemen and here wives: And bat ich kom til Engelond, Al closede it intil min hond, [Fol. 211, col. 2.] 1310 And, Goldeborw, y gaf [it] be:-Deus I lemman, hwat may bis be?' Sho answerede, and seyde sone: 'Iesu Crist, bat made mone, Dine dremes turne to ioye, .... 1315 Dat wite bw that sittes in trone! Ne non [so] strong king, ne caysére So bou shalt be, for bou shalt bere In Engelond corune yet; Denemark shal knele to bi fet; 1320 Alle be castles bat aren ber-inne Shal-tow, lemman, ful wel winne. I wot, so wel so ich it sowe, To be shole comen heye and lowe, And alle bat in Denemark wone, 1325 Em and brober, fader and sone, Erl and baroun, dreng and bayn, Knihtes, and burgéys, and sweyn, And [make be] king heyelike and wel; Denemark shal be bin euere-ilc del. 1330 Haue bou nouht ber-of [no] doute Nouht be worth of one noute; Der-of with-inne be firste yer

<sup>1311.</sup> Supply it. 1315, 1316. Two lines perhaps lost; to make sense, alter 1. 1316 to And leue, hat hou sitte in trone! 1317. Supply so. 1318. fo (1). 1323. woth. 1327. an kayn (sic); kayn = cayn. for tayn = thayn. 1328. Knithes. 1329. mad; read make. and supply he. 1331. nouth; offe; supply no; douthe. 1332. Nouth; nouthe. 1333. offe.

Shalt bou ben king, [with-outen were]. But do nou als y wile rathe; 1335 Nimen wit to Denemark babe, And do bou nouht on frest bis fare; "Lith and selthe felawes are." For shal ich neuere blibe be Til i with eyen Denemark se; 1340 For ich wot, bat al be lond Shalt bou hauen in bin hond. Prey Grimes sones, alle pre, That he wenden forp with be; I wot, he wilen be nouht werne, 1345 With be wende shulen he yerne, For he louen be herte-like, Pou maght telle he aren quike, Hwore-so he o worde aren; Here ship bou do hem swithe yaren, 1350 And loke bat bou dwelle nouht: "Dwelling haueth ofte scape wrouht."

HWAN Hauelok herde pat she radde,
Sone it was day, sone he him cladde,
And sone to pe kirke yede [Fol. 211b, col. 1.] 1355
Or he dide ani oper dede,
Bifor pe rode bigan [to] falle,
Croiz and Crist bi[gan] to kalle,
And seyde, 'Louerd, pat al weldes,
Wind and water, wodes and feldes,

1360

1334. king of enere-il del (repeated from l. 1330); read with-outen were (without doubt).

1336. Nim in witl be; read Nimen wit (let us two go); denemak.

1347. nonth.

1341. woth.

1342. hon.

1345. nouth.

1348. til; read telle.

1350. pere; read Here.

1351. dwellen nouth.

1352. wrouth.

1357.

And bifor: om. And; supply to.

1358. bi (for bi-gan).

For the holi milce of you, Haue merci of me, louerd, nou! And wreke me yet on mi fo Pat ich saw biforn min eyne slo Mine sistres, with a knif, 1365 And siben wolde me mi lyf Haue reft, for in the se Bad he Grim haue drenched me. He [haldes] mi lond with mikel un-riht, With michel wrong, with mikel pliht; 1370 For i ne misdede him neuere nouht, And haueth me to sorwe brouht. He haueth me do mi mete bigge, And ofte in sorwe and pine ligge. Louerd, have merci of me, 1375 And late [me] passe wel be se-[pouh] ich haue ther-of doute and kare-With-uten stormes ouer-fare, pat y ne drenched [be] ber-ine, Ne forfaren for no sinne. 1380 And bringge me wel to be lond pat Godard haldes in his hond: pat is mi riht, eueri del: Iesu Crist, bou wost it wel!'

ANNE he hauede his bede seyd, His offrende on be auter leyd, His leue at Iesu Crist he tok,

> 1369. Supply haldes; vn-Rith. 1372. haued (!); 1376. Supply me; wel

1385

1364. Perhaps omit pat. 1371. ine (perhaps omit ne). 1370. plith. brouth. 1373. to pigge (omit to). 1377. Pat ihc; read Pouh ich; offe douthe. passe. Supply be. 1383. Rith.

And at his suete moder ok, And at he croiz, hat he bi lay, Sihen yede sore grotinde awey.

1390

HWAN he com hom, he wore yare, Grimes sones, forto fare In-to be se, fishes to gete, Dat Hauelok mihte wel of etc. But Hauelok bouhte al anober, 1395 First he kalde be eldeste brober, Roberd be Rede, bi his name, William Wendut, and H [uwe R]auen, Grimes sones alle bre. And seyde, 'Libes nou to me; [Fol. 211 b, col. 2.] 1400 Louerdinges, ich wile you showe A bing of me bat ye wel knowe. Mi fader was king of Denshe lond, Denemark was al in his hond De day bat he was quik and ded; 1405 But banne hauede he wicke red, Dat he me, and Denemark al, And mine sistres bi-tawhte a bral: A deueles lime [he] us bitawhte, And al his lond, and al hise auhte. 1410 For y saw that fule fend Slo mine sistres with hise hend; First he shar a-two here protes,

1389. biforn; read bi.
prefixed to the next line.
1396. kade (1); heldeste.
1398. wenduth; hauen; cf. ll. 1868, 2528.
Only an assonance, not a rime, seems intended.
1408. bi tawte.
1409. Supply he; hus bitawte.
1412. Mine sistres slo.

1391. In the MS. the capital letter is 1394. mithe.
1395. auelok pouthe.
1392. knewn; cf. ll. 1868, 2528.
1400. seye (read 1408. bi tawte.
1410. authe.

And sipen hem al to grotes, And sipen bad [he] in be se 1415 Grim, youre fader, drenchen me. Deplike dede he him swere On bok, bat he me sholde bere Vnto be se, and drenchen inne, And [he] wolde taken on him be sinne. **1420** But Grim was wis, and swibe hende, Wolde he nouht his soule shende: Leuere was him be for-sworen Dan drenchen me, and ben for-loren; But sone bigan he forto fle 1425 Fro Denemark, forto berwen me. For yif ich hauede ber ben funden, Hauede [he] ben slayn, or harde bunden, And heye ben henged on a tre, Hauede gon for him gold ne fe. 1430 For-bi fro Denemark hider he fledde, And me ful fayre and ful wel fedde, So bat vn-to bis [ilke] day Haue ich ben fed and fostred ay. But nou ich am up to bat elde 1435 Cumen, that ich may wepne welde, And y may grete dintes yeue, Shal i neuere, hwil ich lyue, Ben glad, til that ich Denemark se; I preie you bat ye wende with me, 1440 And ich may mak you riche men;

1415. Supply he.

1418. sholde me.

1419. an; inc.

1420. Supply he.

1422. nouth.

1423. to be (omit to).

1424. lom.

1426. MS. berpen (the A. S. w being used here); cf.

1. 697.

1427. yif (with long s).

1428. Supply he.

1430. go; read gon.

1433. Supply ilke.

1435. helde.

Ilk of you shal haue castles ten, And be lond bat bor-til longes, Borwes, tunes, wodes and wonges.

[A leaf has here been cut out of the MS., containing 180 lines. The missing portion must have been to this effect. 'To this they gladly assented; and Havelok, accompanied by his wife Goldeborw and the sons of Grim, set sail for Denmark. Disembarking, they travel till they reach the castle of a great Danish earl, named Ubbe, who had formerly been a close friend to king Birkabeyn. Havelok begs that he will allow him to live in that part of the country, and to gain a livelihood by trading.']

'With swilk als ich byen shal: [Fol. 212, col. 1.] 1625 per-of bi-seche [ich] you nou leue; Wile ich speke with non ober reue, But with [you], bat iustise are, Dat y mibte [sellen] mi ware In gode borwes up and doun, 1630 And faren ich wile fro tun to tun.' A gold ring drow he forth anon, An hundred pund was worth be ston, And yaf it Ubbe for to spede:-'He was ful wis bat first yaf mede;' 1635 And so was Hauelok ful wis here. He solde his gold ring ful dere: Was neuere non so dere sold [Fro] chapmen, neyber yung ne old: pat sholen ye forthward ful wel [leren,] 1640 Yif bat ye wile be storie heren.

Hauede he youenet for no ping,

1626. Supply ich. 1628. be; read you H. 1629. mithe seken (but read sellen). 1639. For; read Fro H. 1640. shoren (read sholen); heren (read leren, as in l. 12 where it rimes with heren H.).

Nouht for be borw euere-ilk del:-Hauelok bi-held he swipe wel, 1645 Hu he was wel of bones maked, Brod in be sholdres, ful wel schaped, picke in be brest, of bodi long; He semede wel to ben wel strong. 'Deus!' quath Ubbe, 'qui ne were he kniht? 1650 I wot, bat he is swipe wiht! Betere semede him to bere Helm on heued, sheld and spere, Danne to beye and selle ware. Allas! bat he shal ber-with fare! 1655 Goddot! wile he trowe me, Chaffare shal he late be.' Nebeles he seyde sone: 'Hauelok, haue [bou] bi bone, And y ful wel rede be 1660 pat bou come, and ete with me To-day, bou, and bi fayre wif, pat bou louest also bi lif. And haue bou of hire no drede, Shal hire no man shame bede. 3665 Bi be fey y owe to be, perof shal i [mi-self] borw be.'

HAUELOK herde pat he bad,

[Al]-thowh was he ful sore [a]drad

With him to ete, for hise wif; [Fol. 212, col. 2.] 1670

For him wore leuere pat his lif

1644. Nouth; il. 1645. bi hel. 1646. Hw. 1650. hwat (read quath); knith. 1651. woth; with. 1659. Supply 1666. fey that y; omit that. 1667. me serf; read mi-self. 1669. And thow; drad.

Him wore reft, pan she in blame
Felle, or lauhte ani shame.

Hwanne [pat] he his wille quath,
pe stede, pat he onne sat,
Smot Ubbe [po] with spures faste,
And forth awey, but at pe laste,
Or he [ferre] fro him ferde,
Seyde he, pat his folk [it] herde:
'Loke pat ye comen bepe,

1680
For ich it wile, and ich it rede.'

HAUELOK ne durste, bey he were adrad, Nouht with-sitten bat Ubbe bad; His wif he dide with him lede, 1685 Vn-to be heye curt he yede. Roberd hire ledde, pat was red, pat hauede [boled] for hire be ded Or ani hauede hire misseyd, Or hand with iuele onne leyd. William Wendut was bat ober 1690 pat hire ledde, Roberdes brober, pat was wiht at alle nedes: 'Wel is him bat god man fedes!' pan he weren comen to be halle, Biforen Ubbe, and hise men alle, 1695 Vbbe stirte hem ageyn, And mani a kniht, and mani a sweyn, Hem for to se, and forto shewe; Do stod Hauelok als a lowe

1673. lauthe. 1674. Supply pat; he hauede his wille wat (pat); om. hauede, and write quath for wat (as in l. 595). 1676. Supply berie, i. e. farther. 1679. Supply it H. 1682. he; adrad (see l. 1669). 1683. Nouth. 1685. yde (!). 1687. haue; barned (cf. 2492); read boled. 1690. Willam. 1692. with. 1697. knith.

Aboven [po] pat per-inne wore, 1700 Riht al bi be heued more panne ani bat ber-inne stod: Do was Ubbe blibe of mod. pat he saw him so fayr and hende; Fro him ne mihte his herte wende. 1705 Ne fro him, ne fro his wif: He louede hem sone so his lif. Weren non in Denemark, bat him bouhte, Dat he so mikel loue mouhte: More he louede Hauelok one 1710 pan al Denemark, bi mine wone! Loke nou, hu God helpen kan O mani wise wif and man.

HWAN it was comen time to ete, Hise wif dede Ubbe sone in fete, [Fol. 212 b, col. 1.] And til hire seyde, al on gamen: 'Dame, bou and Hauelok shulen ete samen, And Goldeboru shal ete with me, Dat is so fayr so flour on tre; In al Denemark is wimman [non] 1720 So fayr so sche, bi seint Iohan!' panne [he] were set, and bord leyd, And be beneysun was seyd, Biforn hem com be beste mete pat king or cayser wolde ete; 1725 Kranes, swannes, ueneysun, Lax, lampreys, and god sturgiun,

1700. Supply bo. 1701. Rith. 1705. mithe. 1708. bouthe. 1709. mouthe. 1712. hw. 1718. wit. 1720. supply non E. 1722. Supply he; bord (pron. borned). 1727. sturgun; see l. 753.

Pyment to drinke, and god claré, Win hwit and red, ful god plenté. Was ber-inne no page so lite 1730 Dat euere wolde ale bite. Of be mete forto telle, Ne of be [win] bidde i nouht dwelle; pat is be storie for to lenge, It wolde anuye bis fayre genge. 1735 But hwan he haueden ilk bing deyled, And fele sibe haueden wosseyled, With gode drinkes seten longe, And it was time for to gonge, Ilk man to ber he cam fro, 1740 Doubte Ubbe, 'Yf I late hem go, Dus one foure, with-uten mo, So mote ich brouke finger or to, For his wimman bes mikel wo! For hire shal men hire louerd slo.' 1745 He tok sone knihtes ten, And wel sixti ober men, With gode bowes, and with gleiues, And sende him unto be greyues, De beste man of al be toun, 1750 Dat was named Bernard Brun; And bad him, als he louede his lif, Hauelok wel yemen, and his wif, And wel do wayten al be niht, Til be ober day, bat it were liht. **1755** Bernard was trewe, and swipe wiht,

1733. metes (!); read win; nont. 1736. þe kilþing (kil for ilk); om. þe; deled (but see l. 2099). 1737. siþes; read siþe H. (see l. 778). 1738. And with; om. And. 1740. Il. 1741. Þouthe. 1744. mike. 1746. knithes. 1748. Wit. 1753. ymen (!). 1754. mith. 1755. lith. 1756. with.

In al pe borw ne was no kniht

pat betere coupe on stede riden,

Helm on heued, ne swerd bi side.

Hauelok he gladlike under-stod [Fol. 212 b, col. 2.] 1760

With mikel loue and herte god,

And dide greype a super riche,

Also he was no wiht chiche,

To his bihoue euer-ilk del,

pat he mihte supe swipe wel.

△LSO he seten, and sholde soupe, So comes a ladde in a ioupe, And with him sixti ober stronge, With swerdes drawen, and kniues longe, Ilkan in hande a ful god gleiue, 1770 And seyde, 'Undo, Bernard be greyue! Vndo swibe, and lat us in, Or bu art ded, bi seint Austin!' Bernard stirt up, bat was ful big, And caste a brinie up-on his rig, 1775 And grop an ax, bat was ful god, Lep to be dore, so he wore wod, And seyde, 'Hwat are ye, pat are per-oute, Pat bus biginnen forto stroute? Goth henne swipe, fule peues, 1780 For, bi be Louerd bat man on leues, Shol ich casten be dore open, Summe of you shal ich drepen! And be obre shal ich kesten In feteres, and ful faste festen!' I785

1757. knith. 1761. mike 1763. with; chinche (see N. E. D.). 1764. il. 1765. mithe. 1772. latus. 1776. ar; read ax (see l. 1894).

'Hwat haue ye seid?' quoth a ladde, 'Wenestu bat we ben adradde? We sholen at bis dore gonge Maugre bin, carl, or ouht longe." He gripen sone a bulder-ston, 1790 And let it fleye, ful god won, Ageyn be dore, bat it to-rof: Hauelok it saw, and bider drof, And be barre sone vt-drow, Dat was unride and gret ynow, 1795 And caste be dore open wide, And seide, 'Her shal y now abide: Comes swipe vn-to me! Datheyt hwo you henne fle!' 'No,' quod on, 'bat shaltou coupe,' 1800 And bigan til him to loupe, In his hond his swerd ut-drawe, Hauelok he wende bore haue slawe; And with [him] comen oper two, pat him wolde of liue haue do. [Fol. 213, col. 1.] Hauelok lifte up be dore-tre, 1806 And at a dint he slow hem bre; Was non of hem bat hise hernes Ne lay ber-ute ageyn be sternes. De ferbe bat he siben mette, 1810 With be barre so he him grette, Bifor be heued, bat be riht eye Vt of be hole made he fleye, And sibe clapte him on be crune

<sup>1788.</sup> shole. 1789. outh. 1792. Agen. 1793. Auelok. 1798. me datheit; but datheit belongs to 1. 1799 (where it recurs). 1804. Supply him. 1808. his. 1811. Wit. 1800. quodh. 1812. rith.

1819. spen. 1822. Rith. 1824. doun. 1826. Riht. 1827. le; read let pe. 1829. schifte. 1831. mouthe. 1834. sholde. 1835. wit. 1842. un bi yeden. 1843. wit.

And yeuen wundes longe and wide 1845 In twenti stedes, and wel mo, Fro be croune til the to. Hwan he saw bat, he was wod, And was it ferlik, hu he stod, For the blod ran of his sides [Fol. 213, col. 2.] So water bat fro be welle glides; 1851 But banne bigan he for to move. With the barre, and let hem shewe Hu he cowbe sore smite; For was ber non, long ne lite, 1855 Dat he mouhte ouer-take, pat he ne garte his croune krake; So bat, on a litel stund, Felde he twenti to be grund.

po bigan gret dine to rise, 1860 For be laddes on ilke wise Asayleden him with grete dintes, [Ful] fer he stoden, [and] with flintes And gleyues schoten him fro ferne, For drepen him he wolden yerne; 1865 But dursten he newhen him no more Danne he bor or leun wore.

HUWE Rauen pat dine herde, And bowhte wel, bat men mis-serde With his louerd, for his wif; 1870 And grop an ore, and a long knif, And bider drof al-so an hert,

1854. Hw. 1849. hw. 1856. Mouthe. 1862. Him asayleden wit. 1863. Fro (read Ful H.); him; read and (see 1869. powthe. 1871. ore is correct; see 1. 1886. l. 1864).

And cam per on a litel stert,
And saw how [pat] pe laddes wode
Hauelok his louerd umbistode,
And beten on him so doth pe smith
With pe hamer on pe stith.

1875

ALLAS!' quath Huwe, 'pat y was boren! pat euere et ich bred of koren! pat ich here bis sorwe se! 1880 Roberd! William! hware ar ye? Gripeth eyber unker a god tre, And late we nouht bise dogges fle, Til ure louerd wreke [be]; Cometh swipe, and folwes me! 1885 Ich haue in honde a ful god ore: Datheit hwo ne smite sore!' 'Ya! leue, ya!' quod Roberd sone, 'We hauen ful god liht of be mone.' Roberd a staf grop, strong and gret, 1890 Dat mouhte ful wel bere a net, And William Wendut grop a tre Mikel grettere ban his be, And Bernard held his ax ful faste: I seye, was he nouht be laste; [Fol. 213 b, col. 1.] And lopen forth so he weren wode 1896 To be laddes, ber he stode, And yaf hem wundes swipe grete; Der mihte men wel se boyes bete,

1873. cham. 1874. I supply bat; H. supplies al. 1878. hwat hwe; read quath Huwe. 1881. willam. 1882. eper; see l. 2665. 1883. nouth; doges. 1884. Supply be. 1887. wo. 1889. lith; perhaps omit be. 1890. grop a staf. 1891. mouthe. 1892. willam. 1893. pre (due to tre in l. 1892). 1895. nouth. 1899. mithe.

And ribbes in here sides breke, 1900 And Hauelok on hem wel [be] wreke. He broken armes, he broken knes, He broken shankes, he broken thes. He dide be blode bere renne dune To be fet riht fro the crune, 1905 For was per spared heued non: He leyden on heuedes, ful god won, And made croune[s] breke and crake Of be broune, and of be blake: He maden here backes al-so bloute 1910 Als here wombes, and made hem rowte Als he weren kradelbarnes: So dos be child bat moder barnes.

DAPEIT havo recke! for he it seruede;
Hwat dide he pore? He weren werewed!

So longe haueden he but and bet
With neues under hernes set,
Pat of po sixti men and on
Ne wente awey per liues non.

N pe morwen, hwan it was day,
Ilc on other wirwed lay
Als it were dogges pat weren henged;
And summe leye in dikes slenget,
And summe in gripes bi pe her
Drawen ware, and laten ther.

1901. Supply be. 1905. rith. 1908. croune. 1911. he (for here). 1914. we (pe); read wo = hwo. 1915. weren he; cf. l. 1921. 1917. For hernes read heres (= eres) H. 1919. per awey; read awey per H. 1920. hhan (for hwan = hwan).

#### 64 UBBE ASKS BERNARD WHAT HAS HAPPENED

Sket cam tiding in-til Ubbe. Dat Hauelok hauede with a clubbe Of hise slawen sixti and on Sergaunz, be beste bat mihten gon. 'Deus!' quoth Ubbe, 'hwat may bis be? 1930 Betere is i nime miself and se [Hwat] bis baret [oweth on] wold. panne i sende yunge or old. For yif i sende him un-to, I wene men sholde him shame do, 1935 And pat ne wolde ich for no bing: I loue him wel, bi heuene king! Me wore leuere i wore lame panne men dide him ani shame, Or tok, or onne handes leyde Fol. 213 b, col. 2.] Vn-ornelike, or shame seyde.' 1941 He lep up on a stede liht, And with him mani a noble kniht, And ferde forth un-to be tun, And dide calle Bernard Brun 1945 Vt of his hus, hwan he ber cam; And Bernard sone ageyn [him] nam, Al to-tused and al to-torn. Ner also naked so he was born, And al to-brised, bac and be: 1950 Quoth Ubbe, 'Bernard, hwat is be? Hwo haues be bus ille maked, Dus to-riuen, and al mad naked?'

1929. mithen. 1931. his inime. 1932. Pat his baret on hwat is wold; read Hwat his baret haueth on wold H. (rather oweth on wold; see note). 1941. Vn ornelske (with long s for i); same. 1942. lith. 1943. knith. 1946. wan. 1947. Supply him.

'LOUERD, merci,' quoth he sone, 'To-nicht, also ros be mone, 1955 Comen her mo ban sixti beues, With lokene copes and wide sleues. Me forto robben and to pine, And for to drepe me and mine. Mi dore he broken up ful sket, 1960 And wolde me binden hond and fet. Hwan be godemen bat sawe, Hauelok, and he pat bi be wowe Leye, he stirten up sone on-on, And summe grop tre, and sum grop ston, 1965 And driue hem ut, bei he weren crus, So dogges ut of milne-hous. Hauelok grop be dore-tre, And [at] a dint he slow hem thre. He is be beste man at nede 1970 pat euere-mar shal ride [on] stede! Als helpe God, bi mine wone, A bousand men is he worth one! Yif he ne were, ich were nou ded, So haue ich don mi soule red! 1975 But it is of him mikel sinne; He maden him swilke woundes prinne, pat of be alber-leste wounde Were a stede brouht to grunde. He haues a wunde in the side, 1980 With a gleyue, ful un-ride: And he haues on boru his arum, per-of is ful mikel harum;

1954. Iouerd (with large capital); quot. 1962. Wan. 1969. Supply at. 1971. Supply on; see ll. 10, 26. 1973. phousend of; read pousand, omitting of (see l. 127); his. 1975. Mi. 1976. hof.

And he haues on boru his be, De vn-rideste bat men may se; [Fol. 214, col. 1.] 1985 And obere wundes haues he stronge, Mo than twenti, swipe longe. But siben he hauede lauht be sor Of be wundes, was neuere bor pat so fauht so he fauht banne; 1990 Was non bat hauede be hern-panne So hard, bat he ne dede alto-crusshe, And alto-shiuere, and alto-frusshe. He folwede hem so hund dos hare, Dabeyt on he wolde spare, 1995 pat [he] ne made hem euerilk on Ligge stille so doth be ston: And ber nis he nouht to frie, For oper sholde he make hem lye Ded, or bei him hauede slawen, 2000 Or alto-hewen, or alto-drawen.

LOUERD, haui no more pliht
pat ich was greybed pus to-niht.

pus wolde pe theues me haue reft,
God pank, he hauenet sure keft.

But it is of him mikel scape:

I wot bat he bes ded ful rape.'

UOTH Ubbe, 'Bernard, seyst pou soth?'
'Ya, sire, that i ne lepe oth.
Yif y, louerd, a word leye,

1984. phe. 1986. ope (for opere). 1988. lauth. 1990. fauth (twice). 1992. cruhsse. 1996. Supply he. 1998. nouth. 2002. plith. 2003. Of pat (om. Of); pus greped; nith. 2005. But god (But from 1. 2006). 2007. woth. 2009. ine.

To-morwen do me hengen heye.' De burgeys bat ber-bi stode bore Grundlike and grete obes swore, Litle and mikle, yunge and olde, pat was soth, bat Bernard tolde. 2015 Soth was, bat he wolden him bynde, And trusse al bat he mihten fynde Of hise, in arke or in kiste, pat he mouhte in seckes briste. 'Louerd, awey he haueden al born 1020 His bing, and him-self alto-torn, But als[o] God self barw him wel, pat he ne tinte no catel. Hwo mihte so mani stonde ageyn Bi nihter-tale, kniht or swein? 2025 He weren bi tale sixti and ten, Starke laddes, stalworbi men, And on, be mayster of hem alle, pat was be name Griffin Galle. Hwo mouhte ageyn so mani stonde, [Fol. 214, col. 2.] But als bis man of ferne londe 2031 Haueth hem slawen with a tre? Mikel joje haue he! God yeue him mikel god to welde, Bobe in tun, and ek in felde! 2035 "Wel is set, he etes mete." Quoth Ubbe, 'Doth him swipe fete, pat y mouhte his woundes se, Yf that he mouhten holed be.

2014. holde. 2017. mithen. 2019. mouthe. 2020. he haueden al awey. 2022. als. 2024. mithe. 2025. nither tale knith. 2029. giffin. 2030. mouthe agey (!). 2036. We (see il. 772, 907). 2038. mouthe. 2039. mouthen.

27 27 .

For yf he mouhte couere yet,

And gangen wel up-on hise fet,

Mi-self shal dubben him to kniht,

For-pi þat he is so wiht.

And yif he liuede, þo foule theues,

pat weren of Kaymes kin and Eues,

He sholden hange bi þe necke:

Of here ded daþeit hwo recke,

Hwan he yeden þus on nihtes

To binde boþe burgmen and knihtes.

For bynderes loue ich neuere mo,

Of hem ne yeue ich nouht a slo.'

HAUELOK was [to] Ubbe browht, pat hauede for him ful mikel pouht, And mikel sorwe in his herte For hise wundes, pat were so smerte.

BUT hwan his wundes weren shewed,
And a leche hauede knawed

Pat he hem mouhte ful wel hele,
Wel make him gange, and ful wel mele,
And wel a palefrey bistride,
And wel up-on a stede ride,
Po let Ubbe al his care
And al his sorwe ouer-fare;
And seyde, 'Cum now forth with me,
And Goldeboru, pi wif, with pe,

2065
And pine seriaunz alle pre,

2055

2040. mouthe. 2042. dubbe (for dubbē); knith. 2043. with. 2045. kaym. 2047. wo. 2048. nithes. 2049. knithes. 2052. bifore; read to; browth. 2053. bouth. 2055. we (for were). 2057. knawed (i.e. made known; causal); perhaps read knawen. 2058. mouthe.

For nou wile y youre warant be; Wile y [bat] non of here frend Dat bu slowe with bin hend Mouhte wayte be [to] slo, 2070 Also bou gange to and fro. I shal lene be a bowr pat is up in be heye tour, Til bou mowe ful wel go, And wel ben hol of al bi wo. [Fol. 214 b, col. 1.] It ne shal no bing ben bitwene 2076 Di bour and min, also y wene. But a fayr firrene wowe:-Speke y loude, or spek y lowe, Dou shalt ful wel heren me, 2080 And pan pu wilt, pou shalt me se. A rof shal hile us bobe o-niht, pat none of mine, clerk ne kniht. Ne sholen bi wif no shame bede. No more pan min, so God me rede!' 2085

He dide un-to be borw bringe

Sone anon, al with ioyinge,

His wif, and [ek] his serganz bre,

pe besse men bat mouhte be.

pe firste niht he lay ber-inne,

Hise wif, and [ek] his serganz brinne,

Aboute be middel of be niht

Wok Ubbe, and saw a mikel liht

2068. Supply bat. 2070. Moucte; supply to. 2076, 2077. H. places ben in l. 2077, after min; altering also to als (it is hardly necessary). 2080. sahalt; and the second a is expuncted by mistake. instead of the first. 2082. nith. 2083. knith. 2087. ioynge. 2088, 2091. Supply ek H. 2089. mouthe. 2090, 2092. nith. 2003. lith.

In pe bour [per] Hauelok lay, Also briht so it were day.

2095

Betere is i go miself, and se:

Hweber he sitten nou, and wesseylen,
Or ani sotshipe to-deyle,
pis tid nihtes, also foles;
pan birb men casten hem in poles,
Or in a grip, or in be fen:
Nou ne sitten none but wicke men,
Glotuns, reueres, or wicke beues,
Bi Crist, bat alle folk on leues!

2105

2110

2115

2100

HE stod, and totede in at a bord
Er he spak anlepi word,
And saw hem slepen faste ilkon,
And lye stille so be ston;
And saw [pat] al pat mikel liht
Fro Hauelok cam, pat was so briht.
Of his mouth it com ilk del,
pat was he war ful swipe wel.
'Deus!' quoth he, 'hwat may bis mene!'
He calde bobe arwe men and kene,
Knihtes and serganz swipe sleie,
Mo pan an hundred, with-uten leye,
And bad hem alle comen and se
Hwat pat selcuth minte be.

2094. pat; read per; see l. 2121. 2095. brith. 2099. Or of ani shotshipe; omit of, and read sotshipe. 2100. nithes. 2101. birpe. 2104. reures. 2105. onne. 2107. Her; anilepi. 2110. Supply pat H.; lith. 2111. brith. 2112. il. 2116. Knithes. 2119. mithe.

ALS pe knihtes were comen alle [Fol. 214 b, ool. 2.]
per Hauelok lay, ut of pe halle, 2121 So stod ut of his mouth a glem, Riht al swilk so be sunne-bem; pat al so liht was pare, bi heuene! So ber brenden serges seuene 2125 And an hundred serges ok: Dat durste hi sweren on a bok. He slepen faste alle fiue, So he weren brouht of liue: And Hauelok lay on his lift side. 2130 In his armes his brihte bride. Bi be pappes he leven naked: So faire two weren neuere maked In a bed to lyen samen:pe knihtes bouht of hem god gamen, 2135 Hem forto shewe and loken to. Riht also he stoden alle so. And his bac was toward hem wend, So weren he war of a croiz ful gent On his riht shuldre, swipe briht, 2140 Brihter ban gold agevn be liht; So bat he wiste, heye and lowe, pat it was kunrik pat he sawe. It sparkede, and ful brihte shon So doth be gode charbucle-ston, 2145 pat men se mouhte, by be liht, A peni chesen, so was it briht. panne bihelden he him faste,

2120. knithes.
2123. Rith.
2124. lith; wa (for was).
2130. Read lifte?
2131. brithe.
2135. knithes bouth.
2137. Rith.
2138. Read went?
2140. rith;
2140. mith;
2141. Brithter; lith.
2144. brith.
2147. brith.

So pat he knewen, at pe laste,
pat he was Birkabeynes sone,
pat was here king, pat was hem wone
Wel to yemen, and wel were
Ageynes uten-laddes here.
'For it was neuere yet a broper
In al Denemark so lich anoper
So pis man, pat is so fayr

Als Birkabeyn; he is hise eyr.'

2155

2150

HE fellen sone at hise fet,
Was non of hem pat he ne gret,
Of ioie he weren alle so fawen
So he him haueden of erpe drawen.
Hise fet he kisten an hundred sypes,
pe tos, pe nayles, and pe lithes,
So pat he bigan to wakne,
And with hem ful sore to blakne; [Fol. 215, col. 1.]
For he wende he wolden him slo,
Or elles binde him, and do wo.

OUOTH Ubbe, 'Louerd, ne dred pe nowht,
Me pinkes that I se pi pouht.

Dere sone, wel is me 2170

pat y pe with eyen se.

Man-red, louerd, bede y pe,
pi man auht i ful wel to be;

For pu art comen of Birkabeyn,

pat hauede mani kniht and sweyn;

And so shalt pou, louerd, haue,

2152. yeme (for yemē). 2164. Here follows the catchword—And wit hem. 2165. wit. 2168. nowth. 2169. pouth. 2171. eyn. 2175. knith. 2176. For so read also?

pouh pu be yet a ful yung knaue. Pou shalt be king of al Denemark, Was per-inne neuere non so stark. To-morwen shaltu manrede take Of pe brune and of pe blake; Of alle pat aren in pis tun, Bope of erl, and of barun, And of dreng, and of thayn, And of kniht, and of sweyn. And so shaltu ben maked kniht With blisse, for pou art so wiht.'

2180

2185

PO was Hauelok swipe blipe,
And pankede God ful fele sipe.
On pe morwen, hwan it was liht,
And gon was pisternesse of niht,
Vbbe dide up-on a stede
A ladde lepe, and pider bede
Erles, barouns, drenges, theynes,
Klerkes, knihtes, burgeys, sweynes,
pat he sholden comen a-non
Biforen him sone euerilkon,
Also he loueden here liues,
And here children and here wiues.

2195

2190

HIS bode ne durste he non at-sitte
pat he ne neme, for to wite
Sone, hwat wolde be iustise:
And [he] bigan anon to rise,

2177. pon. 2185. knith. 2186. mad; read maked (see II. 5, 23); knith. 2187. Wit; with. 2190. wan; lith. 2191. pe niht; omit pe (Mb.). 2195. knithes bugeys. 2198. louen (for loueden). 2200. Hise. 2201. meme (for neme); see l. 1207. 2203. Supply he.

And seyde sone, 'Libes me, Alle samen, beu and fre. 2205 A bing ich wile you here shauwe, pat [ye] alle ful wel knawe. Ye witen wel bat al bis lond Was in Birkabeynes hond. De day bat he was quic and ded; [Fol. 215, ool. 2.] 2210 And how bat he, bi youre red, Bitauhte hise children bre Godard to yeme, and al his fe. Hauelok his sone he him [bi-]tauhte, And hise two doubtres, and al his auhte. 2215 Alle herden ye him swere On boke, and on messe-gere, pat he shulde yeme hem wel, With-uten lac, with-uten tel.

IE let his oth al ouer-go, 2220 Euere wurbe him yuel and wo! For be maydnes here lif Refte he boben, with a knif; And him shulde ok haue slawen, De knif was at his herte drawen; 2225 But God him wolde wel haue saue, He hauede reunesse of be knaue, So bat [bo] he with his hend Ne drop him nouht, bat sori fend! But sone dide he a fishére 2230 Swipe grete opes swere, Dat he sholde drenchen him In be se, bat was ful brim.

2207. he; read ye. 2214. Supply bi-. 2217. bok (see l. 2311). 2228. Supply bo, or panne. 2229. nouth; sor.

HWAN Grim saw pat he was so fayr, And wiste he was be rihte eir. 4235 Fro Denemark ful sone he fledde In-til Englond, and ber him fedde Mani winter, bat til bis day Haues he ben fed and fostred ay. Lokes, hware he stondes her: 2240 In al bis werd ne haues he per; [Is] non so fayr, ne non so long, Ne non so mikel, ne non so strong. In bis middelerd nis no kniht Half so strong, ne half so wiht. 2245 Bes of him ful glad and blibe, And cometh alle hider swipe, Manrede youre louerd forto make, Bobe brune and be blake! I shal mi-self do first be gamen, 2250 And ye siben alle samen.'

Mouhte nobing him ber-fro lette,

And bi-cam his man riht bare,

Pat alle sawen bat bere ware. [Fol. 215 b, col. 1.] 2255

AFTER him stirt up laddes ten,
And bi-comen hise men;
And sipen euerilk a baroun
Pat euere weren in al that toun;
And sipen drenges, and sipen thaynes,

2260

<sup>2235.</sup> Rith; read rihte.
2242. Supply Nis H; Is seems oetter.
2244. knith.
2245. with.
2253. Mouthe.
2254. is; Rith.
2257. A word (beye?) is added after men in a late hand.

And sipen knihtes, and sipen sweynes; So pat, or pat day was gon, In al pe tun ne was nouht on pat [he] ne was his man bi-comen: Manrede of alle hauede he nomen.

2265

2270

8275

WAN he hauede of hem alle Manrede taken in the halle, Grundlike dide he hem swere Dat he sholden him god feyth bere Ageynes alle pat woren on liue; per-yen ne wolde neuer on striue, Dat he ne maden sone pat oth, Riche and poure, lef and loth. Hwan bat was maked, sone he sende, Vbbe, writes fer and hende. After alle bat castels vemede. Burwes, tunes, sibbe and fremde, Dat bider sholden comen swipe Til him, and heren tibandes blibe. Dat he hem alle shulde telle: Of hem ne wolde neuere on dwelle, pat he ne come sone plattinde, Hwo hors ne hauede, com gangande. So bat with-inne a fourteniht. In al Denemark ne was no kniht. Ne conestable, ne shiréue, pat com of Adam and of Eue, Dat he ne com biforn sire Ubbe: He dredden him so bef doth clubbe.

2285

2276.

228Q.

2280

<sup>2261.</sup> knithes. 2263. nouth. 2264. it; read he. castel. 2277. an. 2284. -nith. 2285. knith. phef (with long s) = phef = pef; as in 1. 2434.

HWAN he be king haueden [i]-gret, 2290 And he weren alle dune set. Do seyde Ubbe, 'Lokes here Vre louerd swipe dere, pat shal ben king of al be lond, And haue us alle under hond! 2295 For he is Birkabeynes sone, De king bat was vmbe stonde wone [Us] for to yemen, and wel were With sharpe swerd and longe spere. Lokes nou, hu he is fayr; [Fol. 215 b, col. 2.] 1300 Sikerlike he is hise eyr. Falles alle to hise fet, Bicomes hise men ful sket.' He weren for Ubbe swipe adrad, And dide sone al bat he bad, 2395 And yet he deden sumdel more; O bok ful grundlike he swore pat he sholde with him halde Bobe ageynes stille and bolde, Dat euere wolde his bodi dere: 2310 Dat dide [he] hem o boke swere.

HWAN he hauede manrede and oth
Taken of lef and [ek] of loth,

Vbbe dubbede him to kniht
With a swerd ful swipe briht;

And pe folk of al pe lond

Bitauhte him al in his hond,

2290. he haueden alle þe king gret; of. l. 163. 2291. dun; read dune or adune; of. l. 162. 2298. Supply Us H.; yeme; (of. l. 2152). 2299. Wit sharp. 2300. hw. 2306. deden he. 2310. wode. 2311. Supply he. 2313. Supply ek. 2314. knith. 2315. brith.

De cuneriche euerilk del, And made him king heylike and wel. Hwan he was king, per mouhte men se 2320 pe moste ioie pat mouhte be: Buttinge with [be] sharpe speres, Skirming with talevas bat men beres, Wrastling with laddes, putting of ston, Harping and piping, ful god won, 2325 Leyk of mine, of hasard ok, Romanz-reding on be bok; Per mouhte men here be gestes singe, De gleumen on be tabour dinge; Per mouhte men se be boles beyte, And be bores, with hundes teyte; Do mouhte men se euerilk gleu, Der mouhte men se hu grim greu; Was neuere yete ioie more In al bis werd, ban bo was bore. 2335 per was so mikel yest of clopes, pat, bouh i swore you grete othes, I ne wore [neuere] per-of crod: pat may i ful wel swere, bi God! Pere was swipe gode metes, 2340 And of wyn, bat men fer fetes, Riht al so mikel and gret plenté So it were water of be se. De feste fourti dawes sat, So riche was neuere non so bat. [Fol. 216, col. 1.] 2345 De king made Roberd bere [a] kniht,

2318. cunnriche (but see l. 2400); il. 2320. mouthe. 2322. Supply be. 2323. talevaces. 2328. mouthe. 2329. glevmen (sic); cf. l. 2332. 2332. mouthe; eueril. 2333. mouthe; hw. 2336. mike; see l. 2352. 2336. 2332. pou. 2338. nouth per offe croud (read neuere per-of crod). 2342. Rith; mik; see l. 2352. 2346. Supply a; knith.

pat was ful strong and [ek] ful wiht; And William Wendut ec, his broper, And Huwe Rauen, pat was pat oper; And made hem barouns alle pre, And yaf hem lond, and oper fe, So mikel, pat ilker twenti knihtes Hauede of genge, dayes and nihtes.

2350

HWAN pat feste was al don, A thusand knihtes wel o bon 2355 With-held be king, with him to lede; Dat ilkan hauede ful god stede, Helm and sheld and brinie briht, And al be wepne bat fel to kniht. With hem [ek] five thusand gode 2360 Sergaunz, bat weren to fyhten wode, With-held he [ber], al of his genge: Wile I namore be storie lenge. Yet hwan he hauede of al be lond De casteles alle in his hond, 2365 And conestables don ber-inne, He swor, he ne sholde neuer blinne Til bat he were of Godard wreken, Dat ich haue of ofte speken. Half hundred knihtes dede he calle, 2370 And hise fif thusand sergaunz alle, And dide [hem] sweren on the bok Sone, and on be auter ok, Dat he ne sholde neuere blinne,

2347. Supply ek; with. 2348. willam; hec. 2352. twent (1).
2353. nithes. 2355. ful wel; om. ful. 2358. brith. 2359. knith. 2360. Supply ek; of. l. 2371. 2361. fyht. 2362. Supply per. 2365. Cf. l. 2276. 2370. Hal; read Half H.; knithes. 2372. Supply hem.

Ne for loue, ne for sinne, Til bat he haueden Godard funde. And brouht biforn him faste bunde.

2375

2400.

ANNE he haueden sworn bis oth, Ne leten he nouht, for lef ne loth, Dat he ne foren swibe rathe 2380 per he was, unto be pabe Per he yet on hunting for With mikel genge, and swipe stor. Robert, bat was of al be ferd Mayster, girt was with a swerd, 2385 And sat up-on a ful god stede, Pat vnder him riht wolde wede: He was be firste bat with Godard Spak, and seyde, 'Hede, caynard! Hwat dost bu here at bis pabe? [Fol. 216, ool. 2.] 2390 Cum to be kinge, swipe and rabe. pat sendes he be word, and bedes, Pat bu benke hwat bu him dedes, Hwan bu reftes with a knif Hise sistres here lif. 2395 And sipen bede bu in be se Drenchen him; pat herde he! He is to be swipe grim: Cum nu swipe un-to him pat king is of his kunerike, 2400 Du fule man! bu wicke swike! And he shal yelde be bi mede, Bi Crist pat wolde on rode blede!'

2377. brouth. 2378. swor; read sworn. 2379. nouth. 2385. was girt wit. 2387. Rith. 2389. canenard (or cauenard). 2390. Wat dos. 2391. king. 2396. Ап.

kuneriche.

HWAN Godard herde pat [he] per prette,
With pe neue he Robert sette

Biforn pe teth a dint ful strong.
And Robert kipt ut a knif long,
And smot him poru pe rihte arum:

per-of was ful litel harum.

HWAN his folk pat sau and herde, 2410 Hou Robert with here louerd ferde, He haueden him wel ner browht of liue, Ne weren his brebren and obre fiue, [pat] slowen of here laddes ten, Of Godardes alber-beste men. 2415 Hwan be obre sawen bat, he fledden, And Godard swipe loude gredde: 'Mine knihtes, hwat do ye? Shule ye bus-gate fro me fle? Ich haue you fed, and yet shal fede, 2420 Helpeb me nu in bis nede, And late ye nouht mi bodi spille, Ne Hauelok don of me hise wille. Yif ye it do, ye do you shame, And bringeth you-self in mikel blame.' 2425 Hwan he bat herden, he wenten a-geyn, And slowen a kniht and [ek] a sweyn Of be kinges oune men, And woundeden abuten ten.

 2404. Supply he.
 2408. rith.
 2411. Hwou.
 2412. browt.

 2413. two brehren; omit two; and perhaps read breher.
 2414.
 2414.

 Supply pat.
 2418. knithes.
 2419. Sule.
 2421. Helpe.

 2422. nouth.
 2424. id (for it).
 2427. knit; supply ek.

### 82 GODARD IS BOUND AND LED TO HAVELOK

1) E kinges men, hwan he pat sawe. 2430 Schuten on hem, heye and lowe, And euerilk fot of hem [he] slowe But Godard one, bat he flowe, So be bef [bat] men dos henge. Or hund men shole in dike slenge. [Fol. 216 b, col. 1.] He bunden him ful swipe faste, 2436 Hwil be bondes wolden laste, pat he rorede als a bole, Dat wore parred in an hole With dogges forto bite and beite: 2440 Were be bondes nouht to leite. He bounden him so fele sore. pat he gan crien Godes ore, pat he [ne] sholde his hend of-plette; Wolden he nouht ber-fore lette, 2445 Pat he ne bounden hond and fet: Dabeit bat on bat ber-fore let! But dunten him so man doth bere. And keste him on a scabbed mere. Hise nese went un-to be crice: 2450 So ledden he bat fule swike. Til he biforn Hauelok was brouht, Pat he hauede ful wo wrowht, Bobe with hungre and with cold, Or he were twelve winter old. 2455 And with mani heui swink. With poure mete and feble drink, And [with] swipe wikke clopes,

2431. Scuten. 2432. Supply he. 2434. Supply pat. 2442. fo (for fo = so). 2444. Supply ne; of his hend plette; see l. 2755. hauelok brouth. 2453. haue (for hauede). 2452. was biforn hauelok brouth. 2458. Supply with.

For al hise manie grete othes. Nu beyes he his olde blame: 346c 'Old sinne makes newe shame:' Hwan he was [brouht] so shamelike Biforn be king, be fule swike, De king dede Ubbe swipe calle Hise erles, and hise barouns alle, 2465 Dreng and thein, burgeis and kniht, And bad he sholden demen him riht: For he kneu be swike dam; Euerilk del, God was him gram. He setten hem dune bi be wawe, 2470 Riche and pouere, heye and lowe, De olde men, and ek be grom, And made per be ribte dom, And seyden unto be king anon, Pat stille sat [al]-so be ston: 2475 'We deme, bat he be al quic flawen, And siben to be galwes drawen At bis foule mere tayl; poru his fet a ful strong nayl; And bore ben henged with two feteres, [Fol. 216 b, col. 2.] And pare be writen pise leteres: 2481 'Dis is be swike bat wende wel De king haue reft be lond ilk del, And hise sistres with a knif Bobe refte here lif.' 2485 Dis writ shal henge bi him bore; pe dom is demd, seye we na more.'

 2460. holde.
 2462. Wan; supply brouht.
 2463. Brouht biforn; but Brouht belongs to 1. 2462.
 2466. knith.
 2467. rith.

 2476. Euerildel.
 2470. dun.
 2472. helde.
 2473. rithe.

 2476. slawen; read flawen (cf. ll. 2495, 2502).
 2477. drawe (for drawe).
 2480. wit.
 2483. il.

HWAN pe dom was demd and giue, And he was with pe prestes shriue, And it ne mouhte ben non ober, 2490 Ne for fader ne for brober, [But] pat he sholde parne lif; Sket cam a ladde with a knif, And bigan riht at be to For to ritte, and for to flo 2495 So it were grim or gore; And he bigan [bo] for to rore, pat men mihte beben a mile Here him rore, bat fule file. De ladde ne let no wiht for-bi. 2500 Dev he criede 'merci! merci!' pat [he] ne flow [him] euerilk del With kniue mad of grunden stel. pei garte bringe be mere sone, Skabbed, and ful iuele o bone. 2505 And bunden him riht at hire tayl With a rop of an old seyl, And drowen him un-to be galwes, Nouth bi be gate, but ouer be falwes; And henge [him] pore bi be hals: 2510 Dabeit hwo recke! he was fals.

P<sup>ANNE</sup> he was ded, pat Sathanas, Sket was seysed al pat his was In pe kinges hand ilk del, Lond and lith, and oper catel,

2489. wit. 2492. Supply But. 2494. Rith. 2496-7. Transposed; see note. 2497. Supply bo. 2498. mithe. 2500. with. 2502. Supply he and him; eueril. 2503. knif; read kniue. 2505. Skabbeb. 2506. rith. 2509. But. 2510. Supply him; Bi. 2514. il.

2515

# HAVELOK FOUNDS A PRIORY OF BLACK MONKS 85

And be king ful sone it yaf Vbbe in be hond, with a fayr staf, And seyde, 'Her ich sayse be In al be lond, in al be fe.' Do swor Hauelok he sholde make, 2520 Al for Grim, of monekes blake A priorie to seruen in ay Iesu Crist, til domesday. For be god he hauede him don Hwil he was pouere and [iuel] o bon. [Fol. 217, col. 1.] And per-of held he wel his oth, 2526 For he it made, God it wot! In be tun ber Grim was grauen, pat of Grim yet haues be name. Of Grim bidde ich na more spelle.-2530 But hwan Godrich herde telle. Of Cornwayle bat was erl, (pat fule traytour, that mixed cherl!) pat Hauelok king was of Denemark, And [with a ferde] strong and stark 2535 [Was] comen Engelond with-inne, Engelond al for to winne; And pat she, pat was so fayr, pat was of Engelond riht eir, Was comen up at Grimesbi, 2540 He was ful sorwful and sori. And seyde, 'Hwat shal me to rabe? Goddot I i shal do slon hem babe.

2517. wit. 2519. The author has here omitted to tell us that Havelok, at the desire of his wife, invades England. See the note. 2522. inne; read in. 2524. haueden. 2525. we (for wel, error for iuel); cf. l. 2505. 2527. woth. 2531. wan. 2534. was king. 2535. ferde with him; read with a terde. 2536. Supply Was. 2539. rith. 2540. Pat was; om. Pat Z. 2541. sorful. 2543. Goddoth.

#### 86 GODRICH RAISES AN ARMY AGAINST HAVELOK

I shal don hengen hem ful heye. So mote ich brouke mi rihte eie! 2545 But-yif he of mi londe fle; Hwat wenden he desherite me?' He dide sone ferd ut [bede,] pat al pat euere mouhte o stede Ride, or helm on heued bere, 2550 Brini on bac, and sheld and spere, Or ani oper wepne bere, Hand-ax, sybe, gisarm, or spere, Or aunlaz, and god long knif, pat, als he louede leme or lif, 2555 pat bey sholden comen him to-With ful god wepne [y-boren] so-To Lincólne, per he lay, Of Marz be seuentenbe day, So bat he coupe hem god bank; 2560 And yif bat ani were so rank That he panne ne come anon, He swor bi Crist, and [bi] seint Iohan, That he sholde maken him bral, And al his of-spring forth with-al. 2565

PE Englishe [men] pat herde pat,
Was non pat euere his bode [at]-sat;
For he him dredde swipe sore,
So runci spore, and mikle more.
At pe day he come sone [Fol. 217, ool. 2.]

<sup>2545.</sup> Rith. 2546. lond; cf. l. 2599. 2547. he to; om. to. 2548. bidde; read bede. 2557. ye ber; read y-boren. 2561. rang. 2563. Supply bi; cf. l. 1112. 2566. Supply men. 2567. Read at-sat; see l. 2200. 2569. Runci.

## HE EXCITES THE ENGLISH AGAINST HAVELOK 87

pat he hem sette, ful wel o bone, To Lincólne, with gode stedes, And al be wepne bat kniht ledes. Hwan he wore come, sket was be erl yare Ageynes Denshe men to fare, 2575 And seyde, 'Lybes nu alle samen, Haue ich you gadred for no gamen, But ich wile seyen you forhwi; Lokes hware here at Grimesbi Is uten-laddes here comen, 2580 And haues be priorië numen; Al bat euere mihten he finde, He brenne kirkes, and prestes binde; He strangleth monkes and nunnes bobe: Hwat wile ye, frendes, her-of rede? 2585 Yif he regne bus-gate longe, He moun us alle ouer-gange, He moun vs alle quic henge or slo, Or bral maken and do ful wo, Or elles reue us ure liues, 2590 And ure children, and ure wives. But dos nu als ich wile you lere, Als ye wile be with me dere; Nimes nu swipe forth and rape, And helpes me and yu-self babe, 2595 And slos up-on be dogges swipe: For shal [i] neuere more be blibe, Ne hoseled ben, ne of prest shriuen,

<sup>2573.</sup> knith.
2574. þare or yare; see l. 2954.
2578. forþi (error for forþi = forhwi).
2580.
Hise; read Is Z (here means army).
2581. haues nu; omit nu.
2582. mithen.
2585. Wat; frend; offe Rede.
2587. Moun.
2596. up o.

Til pat he ben of londe driuen. Nime we swipe, and do hem fle, 2600 And folwes alle faste me; For ich am he, of al be ferd, pat first shal slo with drawen swerd. Dabeyt hwo ne stonde faste Bi me, hwil hise armes laste!' 2605 'Ye! lef, ye!' quoth be erl Guntér; 'Ya!' quoth be erl of Cestre, Reynér. And so dide alle bat ber stode, And stirte forth so he were wode. Do mouhte men se be brinies brihte 2610 On backes keste, and late rihte, De helmes heye on heued sette; To armes al so swipe plette, pat bei wore on a litel stunde Greybed, als men mihte telle a pund; [Fol. 217 b, col. 1.] And lopen on stedes sone anon, 2616 And toward Grimesbi, ful god won, He foren softe bi be sti, Til he come ney at Grimesbi.

HAUELOK, pat hauede spired wel Of here fare, euerilk del, 2620 With al his ferd cam hem a-geyn, For-bar he nober kniht ne sweyn. De firste kniht bat he ber mette With be swerd so he him grette, 2625 [pat] his heued of he plette, Wolde he nouht for sinne lette.

2606; couth; read quoth, as in 1. 2607. 2610. mouthe. 2615. Greypet (see l. 714); mithe. rithe. 2621. eueril. 2623. knith. 2624. knith. 2626. For: read Dat. 2627. nouth. Roberd saw pat dint so hende,

Wolde he neuere pepen wende,

Til pat he hauede anoper slawen

With pe swerd he held ut-drawen.

William Wendut his swerd vt-drow,

And pe predde so sore he slow,

pat he made up-on the feld

His lift arm fleye, with the swerd.

HUWE Rauen ne forgat nouht pe swerd he hauede pider brouht; He kipte it up, and smot ful sore An erl, bat he saw priken bore Ful noblelike upon a stede, 2640 pat with him wolde al quic wede. He smot him on be heued so, Dat he be heued clef- a-two, And bat [he] bi be shuldre-blade De sharpe swerd let [dune] wade 2645 porw the brest unto be herte; pe dint bigan ful sore to smerte, Dat be erl fel dun a-non, Al so ded so ani ston. Quoth Ubbe, 'Nu dwelle ich to longe,' 2650 And let his stede sone gonge To Godrich, with a [ful] god spere pat he saw a-nober bere, And smot Godrich, and Godrich him, Hetelike with herte grim, 2655

2629. þeþe (for þeþē); cf. l. 2727. 2632. Willam. 2635. Cf. l. 1825 (with = by means of). 2636. nouth. 2637. brouth. 2644. Supply he; shudre. 2645. Supply dune. 2651. leth. 2652. Supply ful. 2654. smoth. 2655. Perhaps read Hertelike, as in l. 2748.

So bat he bobe felle dune, To be erbe, first be croune. panne he woren fallen dune boben, Grundlike here swerdes [he] ut-drowen, Pat weren swipe sharp and gode, [Fol. 217 b, col. 2.] 2660 And fouhten so bei woren wode, pat be swot ran fro be crune To the fet riht bere adune.] per mouhte men se two knihtes bete Ayber on ober dintes grete, 2665 So pat with [be] alber-leste dint Were al to-shiuered a flint. So was bi-twenen hem a fiht Fro be morwen ner to be niht, So pat pei [stinted] nouht ne blunne, 2670 Til bat to sette bigan be sunne. po yaf Godrich borw be side Vbbe a wunde ful un-ride. So bat borw bat ilke wounde Hauede [he] ben brouht to grunde, 2675 And his heued al of-slawen. Yif God ne were, and Huwe Rauen, pat drow him fro Godrich awey, And barw him so bat ilke day. But er he were fro Godrich drawen, 2680 per were a bousind knihtes slawen Bi bobe halue, and mo y-nowe, Per pe ferdes to-gidere slowe. per was swilk dreping of be folk,

2658. dun. 2659. Supply he. 2663. Supplied from II. 1904, 1905. 2664. mouthe; to knithes. 2666. Supply he; lest; cf. l. 1978 H. 2670. Supply stinte H. (or stinted); nouth; blinne (error for blunne). 2675. Supply he; brouth; be grunde (om. he).

pat on be feld was neuere a polk 2685 Dat it ne stod of blod so ful pat be strem ran intil be hul. po tarst bigan Godrich to go Vp-on be Danshe, and faste to slo, And forth-riht, also [leun] fares 2690 pat neuere kines best ne spares, panne is [he] gon, for he garte alle pe Denshe men biforn him falle. He felde browne, he felde blake, 2695 Dat he mouhte ouer-take. Was neuere non bat mouhte baue Hise dintes, noyber kniht ne knaue, pat he [ne] felden so dos be gres Bi-forn be sybe bat ful sharp is. Hwan Hauelok saw his folk so brittene, 2700 And his ferd so swipe littene, He cam driuende up-on a stede, And bigan til him to grede, And seyde, 'Godrich, hwat is be pat bou fare bus with me, 2705 And mine gode knihtes slos? [Fol. 218, col. 1.] Siker-like bou mis-gos. pou wost ful wel, yif bu wilt wite, pat Abelwold be dide sitte On knes, and sweren on messe-bok, 2710 On caliz, and on [pateyn] ok, Dat bou hise doubter sholdest yelde, pan she were wimman of elde,

2688. tarst (sie) = at arst (at first) H.; or read faste, as in 1. 2689. 2690. rith; leuin; read leun H. (as in 1. 1867). 2692. his; supply he. 2695. mouthe. 2697. knith. 2698. Supply ne. 2704. wat. 2709. site. 2711. MS. here repeats messe, by mistake; read pateyn (cf. 1. 187); hok (for ok).

#### 92 COMBAT BETWEEN GODRICH AND HAVELOK

Engelond [al] euerilk del: Godrich be erl, bou wost it wel. 2715 Do nu wel with-uten fiht, Yeld hire be lond, for bat is riht. Wile ich forgiue be be lathe. Al mi dede and al mi wrathe. For y se bu art so wiht, 2720 And of bi bodi so god kniht.' 'pat ne wile ich neuere mo,' Ouoth erl Godrich, 'for ich shal slo De, and hire for-henge heye. I shal prist ut pi rihte eye 2725 Dat bou lokes with on me. But bu swibe heben fle.' He grop be swerd ut sone anon, And hew on Hauelok, ful god won, So bat he clef his sheld on-two: 2730 Hwan Hauelok saw bat shame do His bodi, ber bi-forn his ferd, He drow ut sone his gode swerd, And smot him so up-on be crune, Dat Godrich fel to be erbe adune. 2735 But Godrich stirt up swibe sket-Lay he nowht longe at hise fet-And smot him on be sholdre so, Dat he dide bare undo Of his brinie ringes mo 2740 pan bat ich kan tellen fro; And woundede him riht in be flesh, Dat tendre was and swipe nesh, So bat be blod ran til his to:

2714. Supply al; il. 2717. rith. 2720. with. 2721. knith. 2725. rith. 2737. nowth. 2742. rith.

po was Hauelok swipe wo,

pat he hauede of him drawen

Blod, and [ek] so sore him slawen.

Hertelike til him he wente,

And Godrich per fullike shente;

For his swerd he hof up heye,

And pe hand he dide of-fleye,

pat he smot him with so sore:

Hu mihte he don him shame more?

HWAN he hauede him so shamed, His hand of-plat, and yuele lamed, 2755 He tok him sone bi be necke Als a traytour, dabeyt hwo recke! And dide him binde and fetere wel With gode feteres al of stel; And to be quen he sende him, 2760 pat birde wel to him ben grim; And bad she sholde don him gete, And pat non ne sholde him bete, Ne shame do, for he was kniht, Til knihtes haueden demd him riht. 2765 pan be Englishe men bat sawe, pat bei wisten, heye and lawe, pat Goldeboru, bat was so fayr, Was of Engeland riht eyr. And pat be king hire hauede wedded, 2770 And haueden ben samen bedded, He comen alle, to crie merci, Vnto be king, at one cri,

2747. Supply ek. 2749. fulike. 2753. Hw mithe. 2757. wo. 2764. knith. 2765. knithes; Rith 2769. rith. And beden him sone manrede and oth, pat he ne sholden, for lef ne loth, Neuere more ageyn him go, Ne ride, for wele ne for wo.

2775

PE king ne wolde nouht for-sake,
pat he ne shulde of hem take
Manrede pat he beden, and ok
Hold opes sweren on pe bok;
But or bad he, pat pider were brouht
pe quen, for hem—swilk was his pouht—
For to se, and forto shawe,
Yif pat he hire wolde knawe.
poru hem witen wolde he
Yif pat she auhte quen to be.

2785

2780

SIXE erles weren sone yare, After hire for to fare. He nomen on-on, and comen sone, 2790 And brouhten hire, bat under mone In al be werd ne hauede per Of hendeleike, fer ne ner. Hwan she was come bider, alle De Englishe men bi-gunne falle 2795 O knes, and greten swipe sore, [Fol. 218 b, col. 1.] And seyden, 'Leuedi, Kristes ore And youres! we haven misdo mikel, Dat we ayeyn you have be fikel, For Englond auhte forto ben 2800

2777. wel. 2778. nouth. 2782. brouth. 2783. bouth. 2786. bouth; read boru. 2787. aucte. 2791. brouthen. 2793. leik. 2795. to falle; om. to. 2797. kistes. 2799. ayen see l. 2776). 2800. ben youres; but youres belongs to l. 2801.

Youres, and we youre mem.

Is non of us, [ne] yung ne old,

pat [he] ne wot, pat Apelwold

Was king of [al] pis kunerike,

And ye his eyr, and pat pe swike

Haues it halden with mikel wronge:

God leue him sone [hey] to honge!

UOTH Hauelok, 'Hwan bat ye it wite, Nu wile ich þat ye doune sitte, And, after Godrich haues wrouht, 2810 pat haues him-self in sorwe brouht, Lokes bat ye demen him riht, For dom ne spareth clerk ne kniht; And sipen shal ich under-stonde Of you, [al] after lawe of londe, 2815 Manrede, and holde obes bobe, Yif ye it wilen, and ek rothe.' Anon ber dune he hem sette, For non be dom ne durste lette, And demden, him to binden faste 2\$20 Vp-on an asse swibe un-wraste, Andelong, nouht ouer-bwert, His nose went unto be stert, And so [un]-to Lincolne lede, Shamelike in wicke wede-2825 And hwan he [come] un-to be borw,

2801. And we youre men and youres; omit and youres, and profix Youres from 1. 2800 H. 2802. Supply ne. 2803. we; read he (agreeing with wot). 2804. Supply al. 2807. Supply hey H. 2808. Quot. 2809. down (see 1. 2813); site. 2811. in sorwe him self brouth. 2812. rith. 2813. spared (read spareth); knith. 2815. Supply al. 2823. went is a pp. 2824. Supply uu-; see 1l. 2826, 2828. 2826. cam; read come (subj.).

## 96 GODRICH BOUND TO A STAKE AND BURNT

Shamelike ben led þer-þoru,
Bisouþe þe borw, un-to a grene—

Pat þare is yete, als y wene—

And þere be bunden til a stake,
Abouten him ful gret fir make,
And al to dust be brend riht þore:—

And yete demden he þer more,
Oþer swikes for to warne,
Pat hise children shulde þarne

2835
Euere-more þat eritage,
Pat his was, for hise utrage.

HWAN pe dom was demd and seyd,
Sket was pe swike on pe asse leyd,
And [led un-]til pat ilke grene,
And brend til asken al bidene. [Fol. 218 b, col. 2.]
Do was Goldeboru ful blipe,
She panked God [ful] fele sype
Pat pe fule swike was brend,
Pat wende wel hire bodi haue shend;
And seyde, 'Nu is time to take
Manrede of brune and of blake,
Pat ich ride se and go:
Nu ich am wreken of mi fo.'

H AUELOK anon manrede tok
Of alle Englishe, on he bok,
And dide hem grete ohes swere,
hat he sholden him god feyth bere

2850

2829. yet. 2832. Rith here. 2833. yet. 2835. sulde. 2840. And him til (!); (perhaps for hun-til); read And led un-til; see 1. 2827. 2843. Supply ful. 2848. se ride. 2849. wreke (for wrekē); see 1. 2992.

Ageyn [hem] alle pat woren liues, And pat sholde ben born of wiues.

2855

PANNE he hauede sikernesse Taken of more and of lesse, Al at hise wille, so dide he calle De erl of Cestre, and hise men alle, pat was yung kniht with-uten wif. 2860 And seyde, 'Sire erl, bi mi lif, And bou wile mi conseyl tro, Ful wel shal ich with be do; For ich shal yeue be to wiue De fairest bing that is oliue. 2865 Dat is Gunnild of Grimesby, Grimes doubter, bi seint Dauy, pat me forth brouhte, and wel fedde, And ut of Denemark with me fledde, Me for to berwen fro mi ded: 2870 Sikerlike, boru his red Haue ich liued in-to bis day, Blissed worbe his soule ay! I rede bat bu hire take, And spuse, and curteysye make; 2875 For she is fayr, and she is fre, And al so hende so she may be. Dertekene she is wel with me. Dat shal ich ful wel shewe be; For ich [wile] giue be a giue, 2880 Dat euere-more, hwil ich liue, For hire shal-tu be with me dere,

2854. Supply hem. 2856. haueden. 2850. knith wit. 2850. burwe; \*\*rad berwen (as in 11. 697, 1426). 2875. curteyse (for curteyse); \*\*set L 194.

## 98 HAVELOK REMEMBERS BERTRAM'S KINDNESS

Pat wile ich þat þis folc al here.' De erl ne wolde nouht ageyn De kinge be, for kniht ne sweyn, 2885 Ne of be spusing seyen nay, [Fol. 219, col. 1.] But spusede [hire] bat ilke day. Dat spusinge was [in] god time maked, For it ne were neuere clad ne naked In a bede samened two 2890 Pat cam to-gidere, liuede so, So bey diden al here liue: He geten samen sones fiue, pat were be beste men at nede Dat mouhte riden on ani stede. 2895 Hwan Gunnild was to Cestre brouht. Hauelok be gode ne for-gat nouht . Bertram, bat was the erles kok, pat he ne dide [him] callen ok, And seyde, 'Frend, so God me rede, 2000 Nu shaltu haue riche mede For wissing, and bi gode dede Dat tu me dides in ful gret nede. For banne y yede in mi cuuel, And ich ne hauede bred ne sowel, 2905 Ne v ne hauede no catel. Dou feddes and claddes me ful wel. Haue nu for-bi of Cornwayle De erldom ilk del, with-uten fayle, And al be lond bat Godrich held, 2910 Bobe in towne and ek in feld;

2884. nouth. 2885. king; knith. 2887. Supply hire. 2898. Supply in H. 2889. ne were = nere. 2892. dide (for didē). 2895. mouthe. 2896. brouth. 2897. nouth. 2899. Supply him H. 2905. haue. 2909. ildel.

## BERTRAM MARRIES GRIM'S SECOND DAUGHTER 99

And berto wile ich bat bu spuse, And fayre bring hire un-til huse, Grimes douhter, Leuiue be hende. For bider shal she with be wende. 2915 Hire semes curteys forto be, For she is fayr so flour on tre; De heu is swilk in hire ler So [is] be rose in roser. Hwan it is fayre sprad ut newe 2020 Ageyn be sumne briht and lewe.' And girde him sone with be swerd Of be erldom, bi-forn his ferd, And with his hond he made him kniht, And yaf him armes, for bat was riht, 2925 And dide him bere sone wedde Hire bat was ful swete in bedde.

AFTER pat he spused wore,
Wolde pe erl nouht dwelle pore,
But sone nam until his lond,
And seysed it al in his hond,
And liuede per-inne, he and his wif,
An hundred winter in god lif,
And gaten mani children samen,
And liueden ay in blisse and gamen.

2935
Hwan pe maydens were spused bope,
Hauelok anon bigan ful rathe
His Denshe men to feste wel
With riche landes and catel,

2914. douther. 2919. Supply is. 2920. fayr. 2921. brith. 2924. knith. 2925. rith. 2929. nouth. 2933. Between this line and the next are inserted in the MS. the words: For he saw hat he, which have been subsequently struck out by the same hand, and the word vacat affixed. 2939. Wit.

### 100 HAVELOK IS CROWNED KING OF ENGLAND

So pat he weren alle riche: For he was large and nouht chiche.

2940

PER-after sone, with his here, For he to Lundone, forto bere Corune, so pat it sawe, Englishe and Denshe, heye and lowe, Hou he it bar with mikel pride, For his barnage pat was un-ride.

2945

PE feste of his coruning
Lastede with gret ioying
Fourti dawes, and sumdel mo;
Do bigunnen pe Denshe to go
Vn-to pe king, to aske leue,
And he ne wolde hem nouht greue;
For he saw pat he woren yare
In-to Denemark for to fare;
But gaf hem leue sone anon,
And bitauhte hem seint Iohan;
And bad Ubbe, his iustise,
Dat he sholde on ilke wise
Denemark yeme and gete so,
Dat no pleynte come him to.

2950

2953

2960

Hauelok bi-lefte with ioie and gamen In Engelond, and was per-inne Sixti winter king with winne,

2965

2941. nouth chinche (read chiche. 2945. Henglishe ant. 2946. Hwou. 2948. corunig. 2949. Laste. 2953. nouth.

And Goldeboru quen, þat i wene
So mikel loue was hem bitwene,
pat al þe werd spak of hem two:
He louede hire, and she him so,
pat neyþer oþer mihte be
2970
Fro oþer, ne no ioie se
But-yf he were to-gidere boþe;
Neuere yete ne weren he wrope,
For here loue was ay newe;
Neuere yete wordes ne grewe
Bitwene hem, hwar-of no lathe
Mihte rise, ne no wrathe.

HE geten children hem bi-twene Sones and doubtres ribt finetene, Hwar-of be sones were kinges alle, 2080 So wolde god it sholde bifalle; And be doubtres alle quenes: 'Him stondes wel pat god child strenes.'-Nu haue ye herd be gest al boru Of Hauelok and of Goldeborw: 2095 Hu he weren boren, and hu fedde, And hou he woren with wronge ledde In here yoube, with trecherie, With tresoun, and with felounye; And hou be swikes haueden tiht 2990 Reuen hem bat was here riht, And hou he weren wreken wel, Haue ich seyd you euerilk del;

2970. ope (for opere); mithe. 2972. to gidede (!). 2976. ne. 2977. Mithe. 2979. douthres rith. 2986. Hw; born; hw. 2987. hwou. 2990. hwou; thit. 2991. rith. 2992. hwou. 2993. sey (read seyd); euerildel.

### 102 SAY A PATERNOSTER FOR THE AUTHOR

Forbi ich wolde biseken you

pat hauen herd pe rime nu,

pat ilke of you, with gode wille,

Seye a pater-noster stille,

For him pat haueth pe ryme maked,

And per-fore fele nihtes waked;

pat Iesu Crist his soule bringe

Bi-forn his fader at his endinge.

2995

3000

A-M-E-N.

2994. And forbi; om. And. 2995. rim. 2998. rym.

# THE CAMBRIDGE FRAGMENTS

(d)	Til sche be womman of elde,	174
	pat sche it may here selwe welde.	175
	[H]e andswerde and seyd anon,	176
	Be Iesu crist and sen Ion,	177
	pat erl godric of Cornualie	178
	[H]e is trewe man, wytouten fa(i)le,	179
	Wis man of red, and of dede,	180
	an men haued of mekel drede;	181
	[A]nd he may here best 3eme,	182
	of hym ymket queme	183
(e)	A riche king, strong and starc.	341
	His name it was birkebein;	342
	He hauede mani knigth and swen;	343
	He was fayr man and wyth,	344
	And is body be beste knigth	345
	pat euere mith nemen to werre	346
	Riden on stede, or handelen spere.	347
	pre childre he hauede be if,	348
	pat he louede as is	349
	He hadde sone & doutres to	350
	Swipe fayr, and fellet so.	35 I
	pan he was in is best[e po]ynt	352
	Iuel him toke in eueri gonyt	353
	pat he was so wyth euel bunde,	354
	pat he (ne) mith liuen non stunde.	355
	pan he mith no longere liuen	356
	For siluir pat he mithe giuen.	357
	pan he pat wiste, he dede senden	358
	176 Space left for initial H. 183 Read ym[a]ket	

352 [po] ynt: traces of po visible.

	After prestis, fer and henden,	359
	After chan(o)n(e)s, munkes boben,	360
	Hym to wissen and to ropen,	361
	Hym to husselen and to schriue,	362
	Quiles bat he were oliue.	363
	Quan he was husseled & wel schriuen,	364
<b>(</b> f)	Grim toke be cheld, and bond wel faste,	537
	Whiles be bondes mith laste,	538
	pat was a foul strong line;	539
	panne was haueloc in mekel pine.	540
	Wiste he neuere er of wo;	541
	But Iesu crist, pat made to go	542
	pe alte, & pe dumme for to speke,	543
	Haueloc pout of godard wreke,	544
	*And pat he do him al quic flo	
	*Wyt schame and pine and mekel wo.	
	*For (he) it seruede on fele manere,	
	*Als ye schuln forwar here.	
	*He was traitur in mani akas,	
	And he it aboute pat he swilc was.	
	*He broute pe child in mechel sorwen,	
	*Yet wurth is soule neuere borwen.	
	*He bad grim don is comaundemet,	
	*And perfore was he ate be laste schent.	
	For panne grim hadde him faste bounde,	5 <b>4</b> 5
	And sithen in an old clope wnden,	546
	*He priste in his muth wel faste	
	A corner of an old clope, ful hun-wraste,	547
	pat he ne mith speken ne greden,	548
	Quider so he wolde hym leden.	549

364 schriuen partly cut away. 547 MS. himwraste. 549 After this line traces of another cut away, perhaps 'For godard hadde comaund him so': him so plain, tops of hadde comaund visible.

## NOTES

[Notes taken from Sir Frederick Madden's edition of 1828 are, as in the original edition of this book, distinguished by the letter M. Notes due to Professor Skeat are also indicated, but the greater part of his work on the text is contained in the foot-notes. Reference is made to articles only when they contain matter of first importance for the text of Havelok, and in the case of any particular emendation the first proposal only is mentioned. In general, parallels are quoted at the first occurrence of a phrase or line, and cross-references are omitted.]

9-10. Cf. 11. 25-6, 87-8, 1970-1, 2894-5.

27. It was, 'there was', the anticipated subject being commonly expressed by it in ME.; cf. ll. 462, 591, 723, 2076, &c.

bi are dawes, 'in former days', ON. dr-dagar.

28. pat in his time, 'in whose time'; for since the ME. relative pat was incapable of inflexion, it was often supplemented by the personal pronoun: pat he = 'who'; pat his = 'whose'; pat him = 'whom'.

29. He dede maken, &c., '(which) he caused to be made and to be well kept'. The infinitive after don, maken is freely used with a passive

value; cf. 11. 38, 41, &c.

31-2. For this enumeration cf. 11. 1327-8, 2183-5, 2194-5, 2260-1, 2465-6.

38. 'And everywhere had them called (to preferment)'.

39. wrobberes 'informers'; see Onions, Med. Æv. x. 159.

44. 'Neither gold nor wealth went for them, i.e. ransomed them'; cf. l. 1430.

55-6. fram: sham. The rime perhaps points to influence of ON. skamm- on ME. shame (OE. scamu), which elsewhere rimes with 1.727 name, 1. 1938 lame, and 11. 83, 1191, 1673, &c. blame < O.Fr. blame.

63-4. blome: rome. Dr. Craigie kindly sends me the following note: 'Read louerd to Rome. The rime with blome shows that rome cannot be the verb "to roam". To probably means "as far as". The correction of lond to lou'd = louerd is simple and obvious.' Stratmann, E.S. I. 423, had pointed out that rome = Rome, not roam, but offered no solution. Cf. desqua Rome in this sense, Lai d'Havelok, l. 367.

80-1. A confused construction; were requires he made him; while

pat he ne made him would normally follow was.

87-90. Madden compares a passage in Ritson's Metrical Romances, ii. 281:

He was the beste kyng at nede That ever mihte ride on stede, Other wepne welde, other folk ont-lede; Of mon ne hede he never drede. 91. A common expression; cf. l. 870.

92. The phrasing in 1. 1853 perhaps points to [showe] as the better addition: 'let him see from the deeds of his hand', &c.

98. brede, WS. bræde, 'roast meat'.

115. underfong is a regular analogical form, and in Cursor Mundi, ll. 1519, 1542, has the meaning required here; see Sisam in Archiv, 128. 194 ff.

118. Cf. 1. 2542.

123. Cf. 11. 837, 849.

130. 'And do with them (her subjects) what was pleasing to her'. Garnett's emendation for MS. par. For don him of cf. 11. 953, 2423.

139. See Introduction, p. xxiii.

148. 'Nor any who knew a remedy for his evil'.
149. 'For him there was nothing but death'.

151. Cf. ll. 1248, 2541.

154. The addition should perhaps be [shulde]; cf. l. 209, 'And preide he shulde yeme hire wel', and ll. 2443-4, 244-5. Note the sequences throughout the poem.

160. 'I am very grateful to you'. For kan pank, OE. panc cunnan,

cf. l. 2559.

162-3. Cf. ll. 2290-1.

164. gouen hem ille (cf. l. 1129, note). It obviously means 'grieved', but the exact sense of give is doubtful.

175. Perhaps yemen and welde are intransitive, 'govern and rule', and

[hir] is unnecessary; cf. yemede intransitive in 1. 975.

176-7. an-on: Ion. Since Havelok seems to have been composed in the North of England, OE. on ān would possibly have a, not o, in its second element in the original. Hence it is possible to delete the added [Iesu], and read anan: Iohan; and so at l. 1112. Note that in order to make Iohan a monosyllable, the MS. has been altered here and at ll. 1112, 1721, 2563; while in the only other instance, l. 2957, the ordinary elision before hem has to be neglected. The spelling of the MS., with four cases of Iohan against one Ion, is equally decisive for the disyllabic form.

190-1. Cf. 1l. 2218-9.

199. Cf. l. 1080.

201. Cf. ll. 2311, 2372.

217. Cf. l. 2743.

218-19. The transposition suggested by Zupitza, ZfdA. 19. 125, removes all difficulty: 'he made his will very prudently, and straightway carried it out in every particular'; cf. l. 363.

221. i.e. enough to provide his winding-sheet.

222. Cf. l. 2018.

228. In the E. E. T. S. editions, Skeat rightly preferred to take louds

as lou'de = louerd(e), but abandoned it here in deference to Holthausen. See Canterbury Tales, A 4287, In manus tuas, lord, to thee I calle, and Skeat's note. The ultimate source is Luke xxiii. 46. See Kölbing in ES. 16. 302.

232-3. For the phrasing cf. 11. 2320-1.

235. drawing bi hor, 'tearing of hair', with ON. hár, as the rime proves.

245-7. For attempts to defend the syntax see Morsbach, ES. 29. 371 f., and Horn, Anglia, 29. 132, who supply his soule as subject of wone. This seems to be the author's intention. Holthausen, following Schmidt, inserts late before wone; cf. 1. 406.

255. Cf. ll. 2269, 2853.

256-7. 'To all men he gave what seemed fitting, until the day they died', i.e. for as long as they lived. Holthausen's explanation, that 1. 257 contains the same idea as Il. 1405. 2210, seems the best.

277. Literally 'awe stood from him to all England'; cf. Beowulf, 783-4 Norodenum stod atelic egesa, and New Eng. Dict. s.v. Awe. Al Engelond is properly dative, but when the dative inflexion was lost, it was misunderstood as a nominative. Hence NE. 'all England stood in awe of him'.

279. The rime shows that the vowel is short; hence the word is not OE.  $g\bar{a}d$ , but ON. gadd-r as in 1. 1016.

300-1. yeue: liue; read the alternative form yiue, and so at ll. 485, 1079, 1109, 1218, 1437.

307. 'Hope often plays tricks on the fool.' For other proverbial phrases cf. ll. 600, 648, 907, 1338, 1352, 1635, 1693, 2036, 2461, 2813, 2983. There is a useful collection of Middle English Proverbs in Skeat's Early English Proverbs, Oxford, 1910.

311. 'So may I have my white neck!' cf. ll. 1743, 2545; and Canterbury Tales, B 4490, So mote I brouke wel myn eyen tweye.

314. Cf. l. 2220.

315. Cf. ll. 466, 419, 2051.

319. also, 'as, like'; OE. alswā yields in ME. also, alse, als, as, which are often used indifferently.

331 ff. 'May Jesus Christ', &c., the subject repeated in l. 223.

349. Cf. l. 1707.

354-5. Morsbach, ME. Grammatik, § 129 b, explains the rime as wulde: fulde < OE. fullian; but Hupe's suggestion (Anglia, 13. 196) wilde: filde is better; cf. Cursor, ll. 18759-60, fulfild: wild; Robert of Brunne's Chronicle, ed. Hearne, i. p. 86, wild: filled, &c.

360-1. behe: rede, MS. bohe! The form behe occurs at ll. 694, 1680, always in the bad rime with rede; and therefore it can hardly be from ON. bébi as Björkmann, p. 108, supposes. Otherwise the normal forms

bāþe, bōþe, bōþen are used. rēde(n) vb., WS. rēdan, is proved by the rime in ll. 104, 687, 2085. But beside it occur rāþe(n), rōþe(n) from ON. rdôa in ll. 1335, 2817. rēd sb., WS. rēd, is proved by rimes in ll. 148, 518, 826, 1194, 1204, 2210, 2871. But the cognate ON. form rdô is proved in ll. 75, 2542. Copyists, especially Southern copyists, constantly substitute English for Norse forms, and are then likely to patch the rimes just as has been done in the text; so that bāþe: rāþe would become baþe: rede, and then falsely beþe: rede. Hence we need not hesitate to restore the Norse forms wherever they are required, reading baþe: roþe or baþe: raþe here and at ll. 693-4, 1680-1; and raþe (or roþe) in l. 2585. In the present case the change is supported by the Cambridge fragment, boþen: roþen.

375. For frende < ON. frændi, see Glossary.

390. men is singular. OE. man, 'one'.

393. Apparently 'that it may be well pleasing to their kin', which

seems unsatisfactory.

395. Although *po his riht*, 'those his rights', is a correct form, it is worth noting that the MS. has *po* for *pou* at ll. 388, 1229, 1274; and I should prefer to read po[u] here.

396-7. For the phrasing cf. ll. 1443-4.

407. Such confused sentences are common, 'God' and 'Christ' being used indifferently; cf. l. 432.

410-11. Holthausen's retention of MS. pe toper, and alteration of eir

to broker, is certainly preferable; cf. ll. 2348-9, 1690-1.

416-17. Cf. ll. 2454-5.

420. The added [ne] is not necessary; cf. the MS. reading in 1. 548, and Zupitza in Anglia, 1. 468, on the use of ne = 'neither . . . nor'.

421. bebedde is not a known compound, and the form of the prefix would be br-. Hence be is probably due to repetition of the first letters of bedde. Read bedde, and restore MS. ne. See Stratmann, ES. 1. 423-4.

432. ran on blode, 'bled'; it is perhaps possible to retain the MS. reading pat, and, assuming confused syntax, to render '(on) which God

himself bled'.

455. Cf. 1. 654. 456. On the reading in the text, which involves the minimum of alteration, see Sisam, Archiv, 128. 196.

462-3. 'Alas! is there no corn from which bread could be made?'

464. MS. Is hungreth. The assumption that the AS. I would be substituted for w in ws = us involves serious difficulties. It would be simpler to suppose, as Dr. Bradley suggests, that the initial I is miswritten for V = U. And hungreth may be trisyllabic = hungereth.

471-2. Cf. ll. 1413-4.

484. Cf. l. 2172. Hence biddi stands for bede i, an early instance of the confusion of OE. bēodan, 'offer, command', with OE. biddan, 'ask'. So MS. bidde for bede in l. 2548, destroying the rime.

504-6. 'And yet he wished that he were dead, except that he was

unwilling to slay him with his own hands, that foul fiend!' Napier's emendation and bouh (cf. MS. in 1. 1669) is generally accepted, though it is possible to defend and bouhte. For the repeated nouht many emendations have been suggested, but without regard to the parallel phrasing in Il. 2228-9, which requires the retention of the second nouht. The present reading seems to overcome many difficulties. For but on bat, 'but only that', 'except that', cf. 1. 962. Hend here and at Il. 1412, 2069 is the old Norse umlauted plural hend-r.

521. Cf. l. 670.

538. i.e. as long as there was rope to bind with; cf. l. 2437.

544. On the added lines in the Cambridge fragment see Introduction,

§ 4, and Skeat in MLR. 6, 457.

546-52. The whole passage seems corrupt. It is true that by assuming an elaborate sentence structure, taking old cloth as equivalent to keuel, and giving an unusual meaning to in . . . wounden, something can be made of it (see Emerson, Reader, p. 274). But this is unnatural, and it is simpler to suppose a lacuna, presumably of two whole lines including a main verb; see Zupitza, Anglia, I. 469. At first sight the Cambridge fragment, which has

\*He priste in his muth wel faste

A corner of an old clope, ful hun-wraste,

seems to supply the deficiency. But the inclusion of the first line in the text of Havelok breaks the couplet system. The corruption seems to have gone too far to permit of satisfactory emendation.

549. hwere usually taken as = hweper, but probably 'wherever'.

The fragment has Quider so.

560. Holthausen's reading haue [saue] is nearer the MS., and is certainly right; cf. l. 2226.

563. For the phrasing cf. 11. 674, 1225, 2351.

566. Cf. 1. 812.

567-8. The emendation is due to Morris.

572. Holthausen and Skeat take him as referring to Grim or Godard. Emerson, Reader, p. 275, refers him to Havelok, who regrets that wild beasts did not carry him off, and save him from the ill-treatment of cruel men. Both are difficult.

591-2. 'From his mouth there issued a ray'. For this idiomatic use of stand cf. Beowulf, ll. 726-7 him of eagum stod . . . leoht unfager; and for the whole passage cf. ll. 2122-6.

597. MS. and should rather be restored.

611. For the phrase do ful wo cf. l. 2589.

631. [mi] is not essential.

664. it seems to be the anticipated object in apposition to wey. But it might possibly be the repeated subject 'Grim he'; cf. the MS. reading in 1, 2264.

679-80. Skeat compares Handlyng Sinne, ll. 5613-14.

Pers stode and loked on him

Felunlyche, with yeen grym.

680. MS. poruthlike; for the spelling cf. MS. in 1. 2786.

689. Cf. l. 845.

691. 'It seemed to Grim too long until he ran', &c.

693-4. Read rape: bape, or rope: bope; see note on ll. 360-1. MS. liue may be construed as infinitive.

698. wiues: OE. wifes (gen. sg.).

721 ff. Instead of the storm, in the French text Grim's ship is attacked by pirates, who kill the whole of the crew, with the exception of himself and family, whom they spare on the score of his being an old acquaintance.—M.

721-2. Many emendations of the MS. reading have been proposed,

but the sense is clear, if loosely expressed.

739. pere for to erde, 'in order to dwell there'.

745. [it] calle: Zupitza's emendation, Anglia, 1. 470 f.

746. Here and in Il. 1331, 1377, 2337, the substitution of *perof* for MS. *peroffe* entails emendation of the text. Hence it seems that *peroffe* is a genuine trisyllabic form. Note the MS. spellings in Il. 372, 466, 2558. Offe is an extended form of of, like onne 1. 347 from on.

755. MS. hwel for hel = el, Holthausen's emendation. 761-2. 'One for himself and three others for his sons'.

763-4. fongs: grongs. A bad rime, for g in fongs cannot be palatalized; cf. 11. 855-6 gongs(n): fongs. As grongs seems fixed by the sense, a French word is to be expected. Holthausen, Archiv, 110. 101, suggests chongs, 'to exchange'; and it is worth noting that, according to Gaimar, 1. 449, Grim lived by exchanging fish for bread: Del peissun cangium le pain.

784. Zupitza's emendation, Anglia, 7. 146 f. It seems agreed that setes = set es, 'set them'; but perhaps the relative is omitted: 'nets

(which) he often sets in the sea '.

789-90. MS. hom: grom should remain; cf. OE. et hām. See Introd. § 20 (3). Hom has few correct rimes.

791-2. Cf. ll. 829-30.

795-6. Read longe: gonge, or lange: gange, and so at ll. 1057-8.

801. Par nouht, 'should not'. But keep MS. Pat, construing 'ought not (nouht) to have it (Pat) except as the result of (on long) toil'. The explanation of on long is due to J. A. W. Bennett.

808. net < OE. neat, 'an ox', as the rime shows; cf. 11. 1026, 1891.

819-20. Skeat points out the parallel, Handlyng Sinne, ll. 5811-12:
 Plenerly, alle bat he tok,

Wyth-helde he nat a ferthyng noke'.

See Introduction, § 14. They suggest that [Of] should be omitted.

833-4. Emendations and explanations show that the editors have missed the construction: 'nor any other good (pat doubte) fish with (which) he might feed his household'.

839 ff. In the French, Grim sends Havelok away for quite a different

reason, viz. because fishing is not a suitable occupation for him.

855. Read gonge.

863. he was ful wil, 'he was quite at a loss'; cf. l. 1042.

870. MS. on should probably remain in view of parallels like Ysnm-

bras, 1. 458 He sprang forthe as sparke one glede.

875-6. brigge: ligge; either OE. bryeg, OE. licgan, or the corresponding ON. bryggja, sb., liggja, vb.; ll. 1373-4 pigge: ligge are equally ambiguous.

879. pet oper day, 'the next day', as in l. 1755.

883-4. bouht: oft. Holthausen alters bouht to cost, participle of coupe, ON. kaupa, 'to buy'. But since the guttural spirant h became f very early in the North, [bost] is a possible pronunciation.

Observe the construction 'the Earl's provisions of Cornwall', where Modern English has the group-genitive 'the Earl of Cornwall's pro-

visions '.

907. 'The food you eat is well invested'; cf. 1. 2036 and note, and for the sense 1. 1693.

928. Cf. ll. 1997, 2109, 2475.

934. 'He asked nobody to go to meet him', i.e. help him on the return journey with the full pail.

948. For the phrasing cf. ll. 652, 1278.

949-50. It is not necessary to assume a loss of two lines, for the same rime occurs elsewhere, e.g. 2676-7 slawen: rauen; Sir Guy, 3173, haue: plawe, &c. The rime of -u- (< OE. -f-)with -w- seems to occur in good MSS. only when w represents the OE. voiced spirant g, and perhaps indicates a dialectal development parallel to the change of the voiceless spirant h to f; see note to ll. 883-4. Translate 'there was no boy so little for the purpose of sporting and frolicking that he would not play with him'; i.e. Havelok was good-natured enough to play with children too young to make play interesting.

955. stille and bolde, 'shy and bold', a tag; cf. l. 2309.

957. Read sowe, which, from its distribution, can hardly be WS. sāwon. It may be Northern sāgun, or of Scandinavian origin, or an analogical English formation. See Björkmann, p. 87 note.

959. i.e. his fame spread far and wide. For this common idiom cf. Beowulf, l. 18 bleed wide sprong, and for later parallels Hall's note to

King Horn, l. 211.

970. dones on, 'put them on'. es (is, ys, as), an unexplained prononn = 'them', is particularly common in Southern and Eastern texts: cf. l. 1174, and note to l. 784.

987-8. By transposing strong and long, Holthausen obtains no appreciable improvement in sense, and breaks the tag stark and strong, which must remain; cf. ll. 608, 1271, 2535.

997. Kölbing's emendation hore, ES. 19. 146 f., seems inevitable.

1008. blac and brown: a tag characteristic of Havelok; cf. ll. 1909, 2181, 2249, 2694, 2847. The phrase apparently means 'dark and fair', as in the modern surnames, 'Black', 'Brown'. It belongs to a class of tags which cover all sorts of men by the coupling of two adjectives of opposite meaning: arwe and kene, 2115; clad ne naked, 2889; fre and bewe, 262, 2205; heye and lowe, 958, 1324, 2142, 2431, 2471, 2767, 2945; lef and loth, 261, 440, 2313, 2379, 2775; lesse and more, 1013, 2857; litle and mikle, 2014; long ne lite, 1855; riche and poure, 138, 237, 2471; sibbe and fremde, 2277; stille and bolde, 955, 2309; stronge and wayke, 1012; yunge and olde, 956, 1639, 1933, 2014, 2802.

1019-21. Apparently 'for there was no horse-boy-though they

should have (work) in hand-who did not come'.

1037-8. The sense is good, the rime impossible. Kölbing, ES. 19. 147, suggests gradden, which Holthausen accepts, though it destroys the alliteration stoden and stareden, and anticipates the sense of l. 1039. The rime word is probably stadden, pret. plur. < ON. stebja, which, unless some further emendation such as the addition of [on] is admitted, would mean 'to look on'; cf. l. 1041. Compare Carsor Mundi, ll. 204 and 22724, Many man on stad and sey, a reading undoubtedly correct. The Norse word would naturally be eliminated by Southern copyists, as in all but the oldest MS. of Cursor.

1042. 'And was quite ignorant of (the art of) putting'; cf. 1. 863. 1051-2. wife: sife. The rime word, OE. sife, rather supports Schmidt's suggestion, p. 51, that wife is ON. viba, adv., 'widely', 'far'. But an extended form of wib, prep. gives much better sense. Such

extensions are common when the preposition follows the governed word.

1055-6. Sowen: lowen: a false rime since the vowel of sowen must be  $\bar{\rho}$ , while lowen < OE.  $h\bar{l}\bar{u}gon$  has  $\bar{\rho}$ . Holthausen reads [f]lowen, 'they fled', which does not fit the sense. Some emendation is needed.

1070. MS. Pe speken can be interpreted as 'they talk', since be for bei is not uncommon. But W. J. B. Owen, Notes and Queries, 25 Oct. 1952, explains convincingly that speken is for speke n. 'report', 'same', as in l. 1065 above.

1101-2. shop: hok: a poor rime, perhaps due to the rareness of rimes for shop. Cf. 11. 1646-7; and for the phrase, 1. 424, which rather points to Zupitza's emendation of l. 1100 (Anglia, 1. 471):

He was [be] wers[t]e Sathanas.

1103 ff. The French romance differs here very considerably from the English, as may be seen from the summary, Introduction, p. xiii.

1105-6. Read bringen, or ringe.

1112. For the MS. reading, see note to ll. 176-7.

1129. Stratmann, ES. 1. 424, points out that the MS. may be read yas, and since f and s are often confused, yaf her ille should stand in the text; cf. 1. 164 and note.

1174. 'He gave them to her and she took them'; see note to 1. 970.

1177-8. clerk: Yerk. The form Yerk has not been explained.

1183. Read mouhte.

1207-8. Perhaps here read come: nome < OE. cōmon: nōmon; but the neme forms are too common to admit of this as a general explanation.

1211. Cf. l. 2252.

1217. For MS. on lyne read lyne, infin.; see note to 11. 300-1.

1247 ff. The voice of the angel is completely an invention of the English author, and the dream (which is transferred from Argentille to Havelok) is altogether different in its detail.—M.

1257. The line is pointless and unnatural. Perhaps read pan, 'when',

for pat.

1273. The MS. contains the bad correction shal bu, from shaltu.

1287. Literally 'on one the greatest hill', a not uncommon idiom.

1290. werd = werld with assimilation of trilled rl. The form is particularly common in Northern texts. See Glossary.

1291-2. Read lowe : owe or lawe : awe.

1298. The MS. have can stand (a) as a spelling for awe; or (b) = have, since such rimes occur elsewhere; see note to ll. 949-50.

1303-4. Hohmann emends the rime by reading yet for ek; cf.

11. 1319-20.

1315. The absence of rime proves corruption or loss, and no satisfactory emendation has been suggested.

1323. sowe, with vowel from the pret. plur.; see note to l. 957.

1329. Cf. l. 2319.

1331-2. doute: noute perhaps points to lengthening of u in open syllables, so that OE.  $hn\ddot{u}tu > (h)n\dot{u}te$ . For the literature on this much disputed point, see Jespersen, Modern English Grammar, i. § 4.212.

1335. Cf. l. 2502, which points to rape infin. < ON. raba, not the

adverb from OE. hrabe.

1336-8. A very difficult passage. In the text l. 1336 follows Zupitza's emendation, Anglia, 1. 471 f.: 'let us both go to Denmark'; but although Zupitza quotes an example from Genesis and Exodus, l. 1775, there are objections to assuming the nominative dual so late, and with the inverted subject we should expect nime not nimen. Holthausen, following Wittenbrinck, p. 11, reads nim me with he to Denema[r]k rahe; and it may be noted that the MS. has with for with in l. 1165. Kölbing, ES. 16. 303, proposes nime we swipe to Denema[r]k bahe, based on l. 2600.

The advantage of Zupitza's reading is that it gives a reason for corruption. Lith has never been satisfactorily explained. l. 1352 shows that the meaning must be something like 'speed', so that Holthausen's hith < OE.  $h\bar{\imath}g\bar{\sigma}$ , 'haste', is a good suggestion. The word is not uncommon in ME., and line initials are particularly liable to confusion.

1376. Disyllabic scansion of late allows [me] to be dispensed with.

1377. MS. pat . . . peroffe, 'whereof', may perhaps stand.

1397-8. name: rauen; cf. ll. 2528-9 grauen: name. Hence the original must have had nauen < ON. nafn, a word otherwise unrecorded in ME. Since the sense was obvious, English scribes substituted the English equivalent, spoiling the rime. See Sisam in Archiv, 128. 196-7.

1401-2. A scribe has substituted shewe for shawe (showe), and then knawe (knowe) has been wrongly altered to make a rime; cf. ll. 1853,

2056; and for the phrasing ll. 2206-7.

1405. i.e. the day he died, for on that day he was both alive and dead; cf. l. 2210 and the note to ll. 256-7.

1431-4. Cf. 2236-9.

1445-1624. The French text helps but little to supply the blank. It shows that Havelok and his wife sailed to Denmark, and, on their arrival, sought out the castle belonging to Sigar, who answers to the Ubbe of the English version [Skeat].

1664. of hire, 'on her account'.

1674. The rime, and the extensive alteration, are objections to quath, and the MS. may be read: Hwanne he hauede his wille yat with Stratmann, ES. 1. 424. Stratmann explains yat as participle of OE. gēatan, 'to grant', which derives from ON. játa, játta. Translate 'when he (Havelok) had assented to his (Ubbe's) wish'.

1680-1. For the restoration of the rime see note to 11. 360-1.

1698-9. On shewe: lowe see Introduction, § 19.

1720. The MS. has is wimman. It is simpler to read [n] is wimman, deleting [non]; see note to ll. 176-7.

1733. bidde i nouht dwelle; cf. l. 2530.

1734-5. lenge: genge. Since genge is < ON. gengi, lenge is presum-

ably from ON. lengja, not OE. lengan; and so at 1. 2363.

1749. Observe the genitive he greyues, 'the greave's house'. As the rime shows, greyue is < ON. greift, quite distinct from OE. gerefa. In the French the greyve does not appear in the story.

1763. Fr. chiche has a later form chinche, which a scribe has substi-

tuted in the MS. here and at l. 2941, destroying the rime.

1775. big: rig. The word must be ON. hrygg-r, 'back', not OE. hryce.

1782-3. open: drepen. There is no alternative to open, and dropen cannot be infinitive. Holthausen reads shul be dropen. Hupe's suggestion, Anglia, 13. 199, ich shal [haue] dropen, seems preferable.

1799. Zupitza, Anglia, 7. 150 f., reads nou for you—an improvement. Professor Napier suggests that you[r], = 'of you', would be simpler.

1806. Hauelok lifte up, &c. In the French, all the amusing details relative to Robert and Huwe Raven are omitted, and Havelok is made to retire to a monastery, where he defends himself by throwing down the stones on his assailants.—M.

1806-7. Cf. ll. 1968-9.

1819. spende: for the possibility of reading spen, 'vomited', with the MS., see Sisam, Archiv, 128. 197.

1824-5. feld: swerd, a bad rime, which is left isolated by the emendation of l. 2635; but no convincing emendation has been proposed.

1834. bi-halue, 'surround', as the synonyms, l. 1842 vmbiyeden, l. 1875 umbistode indicate. See Genesis and Exodus, l. 3355:

Harde he bi-haluen ber Moyses.

1853. shewe < OE. scéawian; read showe (shawe) < OE. scéawian, and see note to ll. 1401-2.

1882. eyper unker, 'each of you two'. In early ME. the 1st and 2nd person dual sometimes fall together under the form of the 1st person.

1914-5. 'A curse on him who cares! for they deserved it. What was their business there! They were mauled'. Observe the rime, which shows that werewed is disyllabic, as in 1. 1921.

1916. bet, an unusual form of the participle with short vowel as the rime shows. Such weak formations followed the analogy of lede, ledde mête, mêtte, &c., where the vowel of the preterite and participle was normally shortened before a double consonant. See note to 1. 2338.

1917. The reading gives no sense. Holthausen reads her nes[es], 'their noses', comparing for the meaning ll. 2405-6. Perhaps it is another of the Norse phrases so common in the poem. In Laxdæla Saga, chap. xiii, Melkorka, becoming enraged with Jorunn, setti hnefann d nasar henni.

1930-1. Cf. ll. 2096-7.

1932. Literally 'what this strife has in meaning'. For the phrase as emended by Holthausen (Anglia, Beiblatt, 11. 306), see Genesis and Exodus, Il. 1944, 2727.

1962-3. Read wawe or sowe.

1974. 'had it not been for him'; cf. ll. 2413, 2677.

1976. sinne, 'pity', and so at ll. 2375, 2627.

1983. Here and in l. 2409 the insertion of [him] with Holthausen injures the sense. In the one case the hero Havelok, in the other the traitor Godard is concerned; and the phrases refer to the speaker's or the writer's sympathies, not to the extent of the wounds. Render 'that's a great pity', and cf. ll. 1976, 2006.

2005. keft < ON. keypt-r, partic. of kaupa, 'to bny', ME. coupe(n).

See New Eng. Dict. sv. Keft.

2008-9. soth: oth. The rime of soth < OE. sop with oth < OE. ap indicates corruption, despite Kölbing, ES. 16. 301. The extraordinary phrase ine lepe oth fixes the corruption in the second line. And since soth has remarkably few rime words, I suggest a reading which at first glance seems far-fetched. Read ine leve [o] [t]oth, 'I do not lie from my teeth'. Cf. Cursor, 13940-I (Cotton MS.):

Quat sum yee knau wite yee for soth

Sal yee na leis here o mi toth.

The repetition of leve is stylistically good.

2029. pat is naturally dative, as in 1. 727: 'to whom the name was'. 2036-7. This line can hardly stand; cf. 1. 907. If the original had:

'Wel is set be mete he etes:'

Ouoth Ubbe 'gos, him swipe fetes';

with two parallel imperatives, then the easy confusion dos for gos would cause fetes to be turned into an infinitive, and the preceding line to be mangled for the sake of the rime. The phrase go fetch is a common one, and the confusion d and g is frequent in MSS.

2045. For MS. Kaym uninflected cf. Cursor, l. 1202 Kaym kin;

1. 1114 Caim dede, &c.

2056. shewed, 'examined', but read the alternative form shawed; cf. note to ll. 1401-2.

2057. knawed must not be altered to knawen, which does not rime. Such weak forms are common in ME.; cf. Cursor, ll. 1162-1, knaud: scaud.

2082. A rof, 'one roof', the unemphatic for the emphatic form of OE. ān.

2092. Aboute the middel, &c. In the French, a person is placed by the seneschal to watch, who first discovers the light.—M.

2106. i.e. 'peeped in through a chink'.

2142-3. Read lowe : sowe, or lawe : sawe.

2143. Read kunmerk (!); cf. l. 604. For the vowel cf. l. 2318 cunnriche, 2400 kunerike, 2804 kunerike. In the Modern Language Review for January, 1916 (vol. xi, pp. 74 f.), Professor Napier points out that these forms are quite isolated, and therefore cannot be explained as examples of South-western u for y. They are due to analogy of ON. kunung, 'king', the form usual in England.

2150-2. Cf. ll. 2296-8.

2165. blakne would presumably mean 'look black', 'be wroth', but Professor Napier points out that the context would be better suited by the meaning 'turn pale' from blac, 'white'. See New Eng. Dict. s.v. Bloke, v.

2228-9. Cf. ll. 504-6. The addition [bo] is doubtful, though something is required. Perhaps read he [self]. drop, pret. sing., is difficult to explain, but the vowel is perhaps due to the past participle dropen.

2264. [he]: perhaps MS. it may stand; cf. note to 1. 644.

2269-70. Cf. Il. 2853-4, and l. 255.

2282-3. Read -ande : -ande ; or -inde : -inde.

2320. A small h in the margin here is the signal for a coloured initial which the miniator has missed. Hence a new paragraph should begin with [H] wan.

2333. 'how excitement increased'; grim refers to the fury and noise of the bear-baiting, &c. Kölbing, ES. 19. 148, compares Beves MS. A, l. 1880, pus beginnep grim to growe. In his copy, Professor Skeat notes another example communicated by Dr. Bradley: Castell of Perseverance, l. 226, grym per schal growe. Cf. also l. 2975, wordes ne grewe.

2338. The MS. reading: I ne were nouth peroffe croud is satisfactory (see note to 1.746), except in the last word which must rime with god. Skeat explains, 'I should never be thereby overburdened', taking crod as participle of crūdan, 'to crowd'. Obviously troud, 'believed', which is hardly distinguishable in script, would make excellent sense, were it not for the rime with  $\delta$ ; and inquiry at the Oxford Dictionary for records of short forms elicited a decisive parallel from Robert of Brunne's Chronicle, p. 339.

Blissed be pon God, pat pon in erth cam pi word is wele trod. I say it bi William,

The form clearly belongs to  $tr\bar{o}$ , l. 2862, Old East Scandinavian  $tr\delta a$ , and the shortening is probably an English development parallel to shoe, shod, and in no way connected with modern Scandinavian shortening. Cf. note to l. 1916. A scribe has substituted the corresponding form of trowe.

2352. ilker, 'each of them'; OE. yle heora.

2353. 'by day and night', adverbial genitive singulars, as is shown by the form; OE. gen. sing. dæges > dayes, but OE. plur. dagas >

dawes usually, as in ll. 27, 2344, 2950.

2355. wel o bon, 'well prepared', 'well equipped'. Dr. Craigie points out to me that the correct explanation of this phrase was first given by Madden in his La3amon, viz. that it is Old East Scandinavian bbenn, partic. 'prepared', the form corresponding to North-west Scandinavian buinn, which yields ME. boun(d). The rimes here, and in ll. 2571, 2505, 2525, prove the close vowel.

2384 ff. The French story here differs wholly from the English. Instead of the encounter of Robert and Godard, and the cruel punishment inflicted on the latter, in the French is a regular battle between the forces of Havelok and Hodulf (Godard). A single combat takes

place between the two leaders, in which Hodulf is slain.-M.

2392. pat . . . he = who; see note to 11. 26-7.

2409. 'That was nothing to grieve about'; see note to 1. 1983.

2416. Read fledde.

118 NOTES

2432. euerilk fot of hem, 'every one of them'; cf. Katherine, I. 2273, he het . . bihefden ham euch fot; and the phrase 'head of cattle'.

2433. 'whom they flayed' (subsequently).

2441. Literally, 'the bonds were not to seek' (ON. leita), i.e. they were freely used.

2450. went is rather past participle as in 1. 2138, than preterite.

2461. Madden, Lazamon, vol. iii. p. 302, quotes De vielz peche novele plaie from Wace [Skeat].

2496. See an ingenious suggestion by Littlehales in Trans. Phil. Soc., 1903-4, p. 161 f. He proposes to read goune for grim; so that goune or gove means 'gown or garment', and refers to the stripping off of the skin as if it were a garment. From the purely linguistic point of view the emendation is a happy one. It removes the only case where the rimes seem to show lengthening of o in open syllables, an assumption the more difficult because the lengthening conditions do not obtain in the nominative gor, 'filth'. The addition of an inorganic e in gore is a further difficulty removed if gore be taken as = OE, gara.

2519. Here Havelok's journey to England is lost. No doubt a column or a page was dropped by the copyist, or one of his predecessors. The

French, with Skeat's rendering, runs:

Quant Haueloc est rois pussanz, Le regne tint plus de .iiii. anz: Merueillous tresor i auna. Argentille li comanda Ou'il passast en Engleterre Pur son heritage conquerre, Dont son oncle l'out engettée, [Et] A grant tort desheritée. Li rois li dist qu'il fera Ceo qu'ele li comandera. Sa nauie fet a-turner. Ses genz & ses ostz mander. En mier se met quant orré a, Et la reyne od lui mena. Quatre vinz & quatre cenz Ont Haueloc, pleines de genz. Tant out nagé & siglé, O'en Carleflure est ariné. Sur le hauene se herbergerent, Par le pais viande quierent. Puis enuoia li noble rois. Par le consail de ses Danois, A Alsi qu'il li rendist

When Havelok is a mighty king, He reigned more than four years, Marvellous treasure he amassed. Argentille (Goldborough) bade him Pass into England To conquer her heritage, Whence her uncle had cast her out, And very wrongly disinherited her. The king told her that he would do That which she will command him. He got ready his fleet. And sent for his men and his hosts. He puts to sea when he has a wind, And took the queen with him. Four score and four hundred (ships) Had Havelok, full of men. So far has he steered and sailed That he has arrived at Carleflure. Hard by the haven they abode, And sought food in the country round. Then sent the noble king, By the advice of his Danes, To Alsi (Godrich)—that he should restore to him

La terre qe tint Ekenbright,

Q'a sa niece fut donée, Dont il l'ont desheritée; Et, si rendre n'el voleit, Mande qu'il le purchaceroit. The land that Ekenbright (Athelwold) held,

Which was given to his niece, And of which he had deprived her. And, if he would not give it up, He sends word that he will take it.

The remainder of the French poem altogether differs in its detail from the English.

2521-3. If the poet had an actual priory in mind, it was probably Grimsby (or Wellow) Abbey, a house of Black (Austin) Canons. Madden thought rather of the Austin Friary founded at Grimsby in 1280 (!) (see Introd. § 14); but a story-teller would hardly strain the credulity of his audience by such a distortion of an event within their own memory. Grimsby Abbey was dedicated to St. Olaf.

2526-7. oth: wot. The MS. spelling oth: woth and the false rime show that oth is not, as has hitherto been supposed, the word 'oath',

but stands for  $ot = (h)\bar{\rho}t < OE$ .  $h\bar{a}t$ , 'a promise'.

2528-9. grauen: name; see note to ll. 1397-8. 2548. On MS. bidde for bede see note to l. 484.

2557. MS. ye beber, with be dotted for erasure. Holthausen reads greyhed, 'made ready', but neither emendation is convincing. Perhaps read be bere or he bere, '(which) they bore'.

2563. For the MS. reading see note to ll. 176-7.

2567. [at]-sat; cf. 1. 2200; but MS. sat, 'opposed', is correct.

2582-3. Holthausen transposes these lines, with some gain; cf. 11. 41-2.

2584-5. Read bope : rope; see note to 11. 360-1.

2588. The MS. reading can stand, but perhaps slo is miswritten for flo, 'flay'; cf. l. 612. The phrase with flo is very common, and slawen for flawen occurs in the MS. at l. 2476, owing to the likeness in form of f and f; cf. MS. in ll. 1427 yis; 2289 bhes; 2442 fo.

2634-5. feld: swerd. The cutting off of the left arm with the shield it bears is often referred to in the Romances, e.g. Roland and Vernagu,

11. 823-4:

pe left arm and be scheld

Fel forb into be feld. (Kölbing, ES. 16. 302.)

Hence Madden's suggestion with he scheld for with he swerd can hardly be denied.

2658-9. boßen: drowen. The rime is false both in consonant and vowel, for boßen has  $\bar{\rho}$ , drowen  $\bar{\rho}$ . But the sense is much superior to that given by Holthausen's reading [he] lowen, 'they laughed', for boßen. Some emendation is necessary, but none so far proposed seems satisfactory.

2676-7. slawen: Rauen; see note to 11. 949-50.

2687. hul, 'hollow', in the MS. altered from hill. The vowel a seems to be proved by the rime. The form hule occurs in Morris, OE

Misc., p. 8, l. 253. It is perhaps O. East Norse hul.

2688. tarst = to arst according to Kölbing, ES. 16. 303, but New Eng. Dict. sv. erst, prefers the explanation in the foot-note, since the form to erst seems unknown. But in view of the difficulty of explaining loss of a-, it would perhaps be better to read [a]t arst.

2690. In support of the emendation of leuin, 'lightning', to leun, note that in the Lai d'Havelok Hodulf and Havelok attack each other

come leon (1. 960).

2691. neuere kines: a curious phrase for none kines.

2698. felden (MS. feldem), a weak preterite form of fall. See

New Eng. Dict. On the rime gres: is, see Introd. p. xxix.

2700-I. brittene: littene, infinitives, the first < OE. brytnian, the second probably a new formation which would correspond to OE, \*lytnian, 'to lessen'.

2719. Zupitza, Anglia, 7. 155, suggests *bi dede*, and Professor Skeat would also read *bi wrathe*. Holthausen prefers *mi deole*, 'my sorrow'.

2766. Ban, 'when'.

2783. for hem, 'before them', as in 1. 2947 for his barnage.

2784. shawe in its early meaning, synonymous with se.

2880. No addition is needed. For the idiom see Glossary.

2933. From the appearance of part of l. 2954 after l. 2933, Zupitza, Anglia, 7. 155, suggested that the scribe was copying from a MS. with twenty lines to the page, and slipped a page. The MS. shows that l. 2953 was also copied here, and then altered to l. 2933.

2936. Read babe, since rathe is < OE. hrabe.

2944. [alle] is not necessary, for corune is naturally trisyllabic as in l. 1310.

2944-5. Read sawe : lawe, or sowe : lowe.

2956-7. anon: Iohan; see note to 11. 176-7.

2960. gete, 'watch' < ON. gieta, as in l. 2762.

2966. pat... hem bitwene = 'between whom'; see note to ll. 26-7.
2970. oper, MS. ope. Perhaps read owe[r], 'anywhere', for OE. p
and p are confused in the MS. See a similar case in Cursor (Cotton
MS.), l. 11544. But oper ... ne, 'either ... or', is grammatically
sound.

## GLOSSARIAL INDEX

The Glossary is now adapted to the normalized text; but interesting MS. forms are indicated, and the references, taken in conjunction with the foot-notes, provide a full index to the spellings. In the Text the commonest fluctuations in form or spelling are  $\vec{a}:\vec{o}$  (p. xxix); am:on; i:y; u:o (p. xl); u:ou (p. xl); u:w (p. xxxix); ei:ey:ai:ay; c:k; hw:qu (p. xl); sch:sh;  $th:\vec{o}$ ; and cross references are not always given. Many words and phrases are now added, which, though easily intelligible, are worth recording in a text so early; and except in references, completeness is aimed at. Except for special reasons, only verb tense forms are parsed, because the inflexion of nouns and adjectives presents no difficulty. Brief etymological indications are added, with references in difficult cases to the Oxford English Dictionary (N.E.D.).

#### ABBREVIATIONS.

L. = Latin.

OE. = Old English, especially Anglian.

O.Fr. = Old French, especially the French current in England.

OHG. = Old High German.

OLG. = Old Low German.

ON. = Old Norse, especially Icelandic; but O.Dan. = Old Danish, and O.Sw. = Old Swedish are sometimes specified.

prec. = preceding word.

\* before a form or reference indicates reconstruction.

cf. in etymologies indicates indirect or uncertain relation. + shows that a compound first appears in Middle English.

A, An(e), indef. art. 7, 14, 21, 114, 722, &c.; one, a single, 2010, to82. [OE. ān.] See On. Abide, v. remain, wait, 1797.

[OE. onbīdan, ābīdan.]
Abouen, prep. above, higher than, 1700. [OE. onbufan.]

Aboute(n), Abuten, prep. about, 521, 670, 1010, 2429.

Adoun, Adune, adv. down, 567, 2735. [OE. of-dūne.] See Doun. Adrad (MS. Odrat, 1153), pp. afraid, 278, 1048, 1163, 1682, 2304; Adradde, pl. 1787; A-

dred, pp. 1258. [OE. ofdrædd, ofdredd, pp.]

Adred. See Adrad.

After, prep. after, 171, &c.; according as, 2810; senden after, to send for, 137, 138, 524. [OE. æfter.]

Ageyn, Agen, Ayen, prep. against, 272, 489, 569, 1210, 1792, 2024, 2799, &c.; to meet (with verbs of motion), 451, 934, 1207, 1696; to receive, 1106; exposed to (of light), 1809, 2141. [OE. ongen, ongegn.]

Ageyn, adv. again, 493, 2426.

Ageynes, prep. against, 2153, 2270. [ageyn + adverbial es.]

Al, adj. all, 35, 264, 277, &c.; every one, 104; Alle, pl. 2, 16,

37, 150, &c. [OE. all.]

A1, adv. wholly, entirely, 34, 70, 139, 203, &c.; in combination with To- (see To-), 1948, 1993, 2001, 2021, 2667. [OE. all.]
Ale, n. ale, 14, 1244, 1731. [OE.

alu.]

Allas, interj. alas, 1878. [O.Fr. alas.]

Almest, adv. almost, 962. [OE.

almæst.] See Mest(e).

Als, Also, Al-so, conj. as, like, so, 306, 319, &c.; as if, 1912,

&c. [OE. al-swā.]

Alper-best(e), adj. best of all, 1040, 2415; adv. 182, 720, 1197. [OE. alra betst, with epenthesis of d, and fluctuation dr: pr.]

Alper-leste, adj. least of all, 1978, 2666. [OE. alra læsta.] See

prec.

Al to, Alto. See Al and To-Am, I sg. pres. indic. am, 167, &c. See Art, Is, Ben. [OE. am.] Amideward, prep. in the middle of, 872. [OE. on middewardan.] And (MS. An commonly; Ant,

And (MS. An commonly; Ant, 36, 557), conj. and, 4, 15, &c.; if, 2862. [OE. and.]

Andelong, adv. lengthways, i.e. from the tail to the head, 2822. [OE. andlang.]

Ane. See On, adj.

Angel, Aungel, n. angel, 1276, 1281. [O.Fr. angel, aungel.]

Ani, adj. and pron. any, 10, 26, 105, 1083, &c. [OE. ænig.]

Anker, n. anchor, 521, 670. [OE. ancor.]

Anlepi, Onlepi, adj. a single, 1094, 2107. [OE. anlepig.]

Anon, An-on, Onon, adv. at once, 136, 176, 447, 523, 1964, 2790, &c. [OE. on ān.]

Anoper, adj. another. 1304; adv.

otherwise, 1395. [OE.  $\bar{a}n + \bar{o}per$ .]
Answerede, pa. t. sg. answered,
1111, 1313; Ansuereden, pa. t.

pl. 176. [OE. andswerian.]
Anuye, v. to weary, 1735. [O.Fr.

anuier.

Are-dawes, n. pl. former days, 27. [ON. ár-dagar.] See Or. Aren, pres. indic. pl. are, 161,

464, 619, 1321, 1349. [OE. (Nth.) aron.] See Art, Is.

Arise, v. to arise, 205. [OE. arīsan.]

Arke, n. chest, coffer, 222, 2018.

[OE. arc < L. arca.]

Arm, Arum, n. arm (of the body), 1982, 2408, 2635; pl. 984, 1294, 1297, 1300. [OE. earm.]

Armes, n. pl. arms, armour, 2605, 2613, 2925. [O.Fr. armes.] Art, 2 sg. pres. indic. art, 527, &c.

See Are, Am, Is, Ben. [OE. eart.]
Arum. See Arm.

Arwe, adj. pl. cowardly, timid, 2115. [OE. earg.]

Asayleden, pa. t. pl. assailed, 1862. [O.Fr. asaillir.]

Aske, v. to ask, 2952. [OE. ascian.]

Asken, n. pl. ashes, 2841. [ON. aska.]

Asse, n. ass, 2821, 2839. [OE. assa.]

Astirte, pa. t. sg. leaped, 893. See Stirte.

At, prep. at, 9, 789, 822, &c.; at a dint, with one blow, 1807; tok leue at, took leave of, 1387, 1388, 1389; ney at, near to, 2619.

[OE. &t.]
Atsitte, v. to oppose, 2200;
\*Atsat (MS. Sat), pa. t. sg. 2567,
but see Note. [OE. &tsittan.]

A-two, On-two, On to, in two, 471, 1413, 1823, 2643. [OE. on+

twā.]
Auhte. See Awe, v.

Anhte, n. possessions, 531, 1223, 1410, 2215. [OE. &ht.]

Aungel. See Angel.

Aunlaz, n. a short dagger worn at the girdle, 2554. See Cant. Tales, Prol., 357. [O.Fr. \*aunlas.]

Auter, n. altar, 389, 1386, 2373. [O.Fr. auter.]

Awe, n. awe, 277 (see Note).

[ON. agri.]

Awe, v. to possess, 1188, \*1298; Auht(e), pa. t. sg. ought, 207, 743, &c.; possessed, 2173, 2787, 2800, &c. [OE. agan.]

Awey, adv. away, 1390, 1677.

OE. onweg.

Ax, n. axe, 1776, 1894. [OE. æx.]

Ay, adv. ever, always, 159, 946, 1201, &c. [ON. ei.]

Ayen. See Ageyn.

Ayse, n. ease, peace, 59. [O.Fr.

aise.

Ayber, \*Eyber, pron. either, [OE. ægber.] each, 1882, 2665. See Oper.

Bac, n. back, 47, 556, 1844, 1950, &c.; Backes, pl. 2611. [OE. bæc.]

Baldelike, adv. boldly, 53. [OE.

baldlīce.] See Bold.

Bale, n. misery, 327. [OE. balu.]

Bar. See Beren.

Baret, n. strife, brawl, 1932. [O.Fr. barat.]

Barfot, adj. barefoot, 862. [OE. bærfot.

Barnage, n. baronage, nobles collectively, 2947. [O.Fr. barnage.

Barre, n. bar of a door, 1794, 1811, 1827. [O.Fr. barre.]

Barun, n. baron, 31, 138, 273, &c. [O.Fr. barun.]

Barw. See Berwen.

Bape, Bope, adj. both, 1336, 2543; Bepe, 360, 694, 1680 (see Note to 1. 360); Bopen, 173, 471, 697, 958, 2223. [ON. báði-r.]

Be. See Ben.

Bebedde, 421, see Note.

Bed, n. bed, 658, &c.; Bedde, dat. sg. 1114. [OE. bedd.]

Bedden, v. to bed, to put to bed, \*421, 1128, 1235, 2771. [OE. beddian.

Bede, n. prayer, 1385. OE.

(ge)bed.]

Bede, v. to order, summon, offer, 1665, 2084, 2172, 2193, 2392, \*2548; Bede, 2 sg. pa. t. 668, 2396; Beden, pa. t. pl. 2774, 2780. Here belongs in sense Biddi = Bidde i, I offer, 484, due to form confusion with Bidden; cf. MS. in 2548. [OE. beodan.] Bedels, n. pl. beadles, 266.

[O.Fr. bedel, OE. bydel.]

Beite, Beyte, v. to bait (of dogs), to cause to bite, 1840, 2330, 2440. [ON. beita.]

Belles, n. pl. bells, 242, 390, 1106. [OE. belle.]

Ben, v. to be, remain, 19, 905. 1006, &c.; Bes, Beth, fut. 1260, 1261, 1744, 2007; Bes, imper. pl. 2246; Be, pres. subj. sg. 124, &c.; Ben, pres. subj. pl. 1787, 2599; Be(n), pp. 1428, 2799, &c. Late be, relinquish, cease from, 1265, 1657. For remaining tenses see Am, Art, Is, Es, Was, Wore. OE. beon.

Benes, n. pl. beans, 769. bēan.

Beneysun, n. blessing, benediction, 1723. [O.Fr. beneisun.]

Berd, n. beard, 701. [OE. beard.

Bere, n. bear, 573, 1838, 1840, 2448. [OE. bera.]

Bere(n), v. to bear, give birth to, carry, 378, 581, 762, 805, 2323, &c.; Bar, pa. t. sg. 557, 815, 877; Bore, pa. t. sg. 45; Bere, pa. t. subj. sg. 974; Bor(e)n, pp. 461, 1878; \*Y-boren, pp. 2557 (see Note); beren god fey, to keep or display good faith,

255, &c. [OE. beran.]

Bermen, n. pl. bearers, porters, 868, 876, 885, 887. [OE. ber-

Bern, n. child, 571. [OE. bearn.]

See Kradel-barnes.

Berweil, v. to protect, save, 697, 1426, \*2870; Barw, pa. t. sg. 2022, 2679. [OE. bergan.]

Bes. See Ben.

Best(e), adj. superl. best, 87, 200, &c.; adv. 376; he best wolde liuen, he most desired to live, 354. [OE. betst.] See God, Betere.

Best, Beste, n. beast, 279, 574, 944, 2691. [O.Fr. beste.]

Bete, v. to beat, strike, 1899, 2664, 2763; Beten, pa. t. pl. 1876; Bět, pp. 1916 (see Note). [OE. beatan.

Betere, adv. comp. better, 100. 696, 1758. [OE. betera, adj.]

Bebe. See Babe.

Beye, Byen, v. to bny, 53, 1625, 1654; Beyes, 3 sg. pres. indic. pays dearly for (for the sense see Coupe); Bouhte, pa. t. sg. 875, 968, 969, &c. Bouht, pp. 883. [OE. bycgan.]

Bi, prep. by, beside, 474, 618, 882, 2211, &cc.; bi are-dawes, in former days, 27. [OE. be, bi.] Bicomen, v. to become: Bi-

comes, imper. pl. 2303; Bicam, pa. t. sg. 2254; Bicomen, pa. t. pl. 2257; Bicomen, pp. 2264.

OE. becuman.

Bidden, v. to ask, ask leave, command, 529, 910, 1232, 1733, 2530; Bad, pa. t. sg. 165, 399, 934. For Biddi, 484, MS. Bidde, 2548, see Bede, with which there is early confusion. [OE. biddan.]

Bidene, adv. forthwith, 730,

2841. [See N.E.D.]

Bifalle, v. impers. to happen, befall, 2981. Bifel(le), pa. t. sg. 339, 824. [OE. befallan.]

Biforn, Bifore(n), Bifor, prep. before, in front of, 157, 246, 1022, 1034, 1357, 1364, 1695, &c.; bifor pe heued, in the face, 1812; cf. 2406. [OE. beforan.]

Big, adj. big, 1774. [Probably ON.

Biginnen, v. to begin (the pa. t. with an infinitive has often the sense of a simple preterite; cf. Gan), 21, 1779; Bigan, pa. t. sg. 230, 825, 1357; Bigunnen, pa. t. pl. 1011, 1302. [OE, begin-

Biginning, n. beginning, 13. To prec.

Bihalue, v. surround, 1834. OE. \*behalfian.]

Biheld, pa. t. sg. beheld, 1645, pa. t. pl. 2148. [OE. behaldan.] Bihoten, v. to promise; Bihetet

(for bihete it), 2 pa. t. sg. 677; Bihoten, pp. 564. [OE. behātan.] Bihoue, n. dat. behoof, advan-

tage, 1764. [OE. behof.]

\*Bihoues (MS. Houes), 3 sg. pres. indic. behoves, is incumbent upon, 582. See Hones. [OE. behöfian.

Bikenneth, 3 sg. pres. indic. makes known, betokens,

[OE. be + cennan.] 1260.

Bi-leue, v. remain; Bi-leue, imper. sg. 1228; Bilefte, pa. t. sg. 2963. [OE. belæfan.]

Bimene, v. mean, 1259. [OE.

be + mænan. ] See Mone.

Binde(n), Bynde, v. to bind, 41, 1961, 2820; Bond, pa. t. sg. 537; Bounden, Bunden, pa. t. pl. 2442; Bounden, Bunde(n), pp. 545, 1428, 2377. [OE. bindan. | See Bynderes.

Binne, adv. within, 584. [OE.

binnan.]

Birde. See Birb.

Birp, v. impers. 3 sg. pres. it behoves, 2101; Birde, fa. t. sg. 2761. [OE. (ge)byrian.]

Birbene, n. burden, 807, 900, 002. [OE. byrben.]

Bise, n. north wind, 724. [O.Fr. bise.

Biseken, v. to beseech, 2994.

[OE. be + secan.]

Bisoupe, on the south side of, 2828. [OE. be supan.] Suth.

Bi-stod, pa. t. sg. stood by, 507. [OE. bi-, bestandan.] Cf. Umbistode.

Bistride, v. bestride, 2060. [OE.

bestridan.

Biswike, pp. betrayed, 1249.

[OE. beswican.]

Bitaken, v. to deliver, give in charge, 1226. [be + ON. taka.] See Bitechen.

Bite, v. to bite, 2440; to drink,

1731. [OE. bītan.]

Bitechen, v. give in charge, commit to the charge, 203, 384, 395; Bitauhte, Bitaucte, Bitawhte, pa. t. sg. 206, 558, 1224, 1408, 1409, 2212, 2214, 2317, 2957. OE. betæcan, in ME. confused with Bitaken.

Bitwene(n), Bitwen, Bituene, prep. between, among, 748, 935, 1833, 2668, 2967. [OE. betwee-

nan.

Blac, adj. black, 48, 555, 1008, pl. Blake, 1909, 2181, 2249, 2521, 2694, 2847, &c. See under Brun. [OE. blæc.]

Blake, adj. white, 311. [OE.

blāc.] Cf. Bleike.

Blakne, v. to darken (of the face), to become angry, 2165; or to become pale. See Note. OE. blæc + -nian or blac + nian.]

Blame, n. blame, 84, 1192, 1672, 2460. [O.Fr. bla(s)me.] Blase, n. blaze, 1254. OE. blæse.

Blawe, Blowe, v. to blow, 587, 913; Blow, imper. sg. 585. [OE. blawan.

Blede, v. to bleed, 103, 2403. ()E. bledan.

Bleike, adj. pl. pale, white, 470. ON. bleik-r.

Blenkes, n. pl. : blenkes maken. to play tricks, 307. [Cf. OE. vb. blencan, to deceive.]

Blessed, pp. blessed, 1215. [OE.

bletsian.

Blinne, v. to cease, 329, 2367, 2374; \*Blunne, pa. t. pl. 2670. [OE. blinnan.]

Blisse, n. bliss, 2187, 2935.

OE. bliss.

Blissed, pp. made happy, 2873. OE. blissian, blidsian.

Blipe, adj. happy, glad, 632, 651, 777, 886. [OE. blībe.]

Blod, n. 216, 432, 1819, 1850, 1904, &c. See under Renne. OE.

Blome, n. bloom, flower, 63. ON. blomi.

Bloute, adj. pl. soft, pulpy, 1910. [ON. blaut-r.]

Bode, n. command, 2202, 5607. [OE. bod.]

Bodi, n. body, 84, 110, 363, 995, &c. [OE. bodig.]

Bok, n. book, Bible, 201, 487, 1173, 1418, 2217, &c. [OE. boc.] See Messebok.

Bold, adj. bold, 64, &c. Bolde, pl. 955, &c. [OE. bald.] See Baldlike.

Bole, n. bull, 2330, 2438. [ON. boli.

Bond. See Binde(n).

Bondeman, n. husbandman, peasant-farmer, 32, 1016, 1308. [ON. bondi + man.]

Bondes, n. pl. bonds, 332, 538, 635, &c., bonds (of pain), 143. [ON. band.] See Dede-bondes.

Bone, n. boon, request, 1659. [ON. bon.]

Bon(e) in wel o ben(e), 2355. 2571, well equipped, in good condition; iuele o bone, poorly equipped, in poor condition, 2505. [O. East Norse boenn, pp. of boa, to prepare.

Bones, n. pl. bones, arms, 1296.

OE. ban.

Bor, n. boar, 1867, 1989, 2331. OE. bar.

Bord, n. a table, 99, 1722; a board, 2106 (see Note). [OE. bord.

Bore(n). See Bere.

Boru, Borw, Burw, n. borough, town, 55, 773, 847, 1014, 1293, 1444, 1630, 1757, 2086, 2277, 2826. [OE. burh.]

COE. Borw, n. surety, 1667.

borg.

Bote, But, adv. only, but, 721, 722. [OE. būtan.] See But(e). Bote, n. remedy, help, 1200.

OE. bot.

Bobe(n). See Babe. Bouht(e). See Beye.

B(o)unden. See Binde(n). Bour, Bowr, n. chamber, 239,

2072, 2077, &c. [OE. būr.] Bout (MS. But), n. throw, putt,

1040. [O.Fr. bout.]

Bowes, n. pl. bows (weapons), 1748. [OE. boga.]

Boyes, n. pl. young men, men,

Brayd, pa. t. sg. started, awaked, 1282; drew (a sword), 1825. [OE. bregdan.

Bred, n. bread, 463, 633, 643,

1879. [OE. bread.] Brede, n. roast meat, 98. [OE. bræde.]

Breken, v. to break, 914; Broken, pa. t. pl. 1902, 1903; Breken, pp. 1238. [OE. brecan.]

Brenne, n. burning; brouht on brenne, made burn, 1239. [To

next.]

Brennen, v. to burn, 916, 1162; Brenden, pa. t. pl. 594, 2125; Brend, pp. 2832, 2841, &c. [ON. brenna.

Brest, n. breast, chest, 1030, 1648. [OE. brēost.]

Bride, n. bride, 2131. [OE. bryd.

Brigge, n. bridge, 875, 881.

[OE. brycg or ON. bryggja.]

Briht, Bryht, adj. bright, fair, 589, 605, 1252, 2131, 2610; Brihter, compar. 2141. [OE. berht.

Brim, adj. furious, raging, 2233.

See N.E.D. s.v. Breme. Bringe(n), v. to bring, 72, 185,

&c.; Brouhte, pa. t. sg. 767, 2868; Brouhten, pa. t. pl. 2791; Brouht, Browht, pp. 57, 58, 336, 649, 1979, 2052, &c.; to be erbe brouht, buried, 248; brouht of line, 513, 2412, brought out of life, dead; forth brouhte, fostered, brought up, 2868. [OE. bringan.]

Brini(e), n. mail coat, 1775, 2358, 2551, 2610, 2740.

brynja.

Brisen, v. to bruise, beat, 1835. [OE. brysan.] See To-brised.

Brittene, v. (as passive) to break to pieces, 2700. [OE. brytnian.] Brod, adj. broad, 1647; Brode,

pl. 896. [OE. brad.]

Brober, n. brother, 1396, &c.; Brethren, pl. 2413. [OE. bropor.] Brouht. See Bringe(n).

Brouke, v. enjoy, use, have, 311, 1743, 2545. [OE. brucan.]

Broys, n. broth, 924. [O.Fr.

broez.

Brune, Broune, 1008, 1909, 2181, 2249, 2694, 2847, brown, fair (?); for the phrase blake and brune see Note to l. 1008. [OE. brūn.

Bulderstone, n. boulder-stone, 1790. [ON.; cf. Gotland dialect

buldur-stajn. Bunden. See Binde(n).

Burgeys, Burgeis, n. burgess, citizen, 1328, 2466, pl. 2012, 2195. [O.Fr. burgeis.]

Burgmen, n. pl. burgesses, citizens, 2049. [OE. burhman (if g **=** }).]

Burwe. See Berwen.

Burwes. See Boru.

But(e), Buten, conj. except, unless, 85, 111, 149, 690, 1149, 1159, 2022, 2031, 2727; but als, were it not that, 2022, 2031; but on hat, except only that, except that, 505, 962; but-yf, but-yif, unless, 2546, 2972. [OE. būtan.] See Bote. But, pp. struck, thrust, 1916. [O.Fr. bouter.]

Butere, n. butter, 643 [OE.

butere.

Butte, n. some flat fish; cf. halibut, 759.

Buttinge, n. thrusting, 2322.

See But, pp.

Byen. See Beye. Bynde. See Binde(n).

Bynderes, n. pl. binders, outlaws who bind their victims, 2050. [OE. bindere.] See Binde(n).

Caliz, n. chalice, 187, 2711. [O.Nth.Fr. caliz.]

Callen, v. to call, 38, 230, 747, 2899; Kalde, pa. t. sg. 884. [ON. kalia.

Cam. See Komen.

Can, &c., v. to know, to be able, 846; MS. Cone, 2 sg. subj. 622; Kunne, pl. 435; Coupe, pa. t. sg. 93, 112, 194, 750, 772, &c.; Koupen, pa. t. pl. 369. bank cunnen, to be grateful, 160, 2560. OE. cunnan, can (pret. pres.), cube.

Care, Kare, s. anxiety, 121, 835, 1377, 2062. [OE. caru.] Carl, n. churl, slave, 1789. [ON.

karl.

Carte-lode, n. cart-load, 895. [ON. kart-r, OE. crest + OE, lad.] Castel, n. castle, 252, 412, 1301, 1442. [O.Nth. Fr. castel.] Caston. See Kesten.

Catel, n. chattels, goods, 225, 275, 2023, 2515, 2906, 2939. [O.Nth.Fr. catel.]

Caynard (MS. Cauenard), fellow (term of reproach), 2389. [O.Fr. cagnard.

Cayser(e), Kaysere, n. emperor, 353, 977, 1317, 1725. [ON. keisari.

Cerges, Serges, n. pl. wax tapers, 594, 2125. [O.Fr. cerge.]

Chaffare, n. merchandise, 1657.

[OE. ceap + faru.]

Champioun, Chaumpioun (MS. Chaunbioun, 1007, Chaunpioun), n. champion, 1007, 1015, 1031, 1055. [O.Fr. champiun.]

Chanounes, n. pl. canons, 360.

O.Fr. chanoun.

Chapmen, n. pl. merchants, 51, 1630. [OE. ceapman.]

Charbuele, n. carbuncle (a stone supposed to shine in the dark), 2145. [O.Fr. charboucle.]

Chartre, n. charter, deed of manumission, 676. [O.Fr. chartre.] Chaste, adj. chaste, 288. [O.Fr. chaste.

Cherl, n. churl, thrall, servant, 262, 620, 684, 1092, 2533. [OE. ceorl. | See Carl and Drit-cherl. OE.

Chese, n. cheese, 643. cëse.

Chesen, v. to choose, 2147; Chosen, pa. t. pl. 372. cēosan.]

Chiche (MS. Chinche), adj. niggardly, mean, 1763, 2941. [O.Fr.

chiche, later chinche.]

Child, n. child, 575, &c. (MS. Child, 532); Children, pl. 348, 368, 474, &c.; Children, gen. p!. 499. [OE. cild.]

Chiste, n. dat. chest, coffer, 222. [OE. cist.] See Kist.

Citte (MS.), 942. See Kitte.

Clad, &c. See Clobe. Clapte, pa. t. sg. struck, 1814, 1821. [OE. \*clappian.]

Claré, n. a drink consisting of wine, honey and spices, 1728. [O.Fr. clare.]

Clene, adj. pure, 995. [OE.

clane.

Clerc, n. clerk, one in holy orders, 33, 77, 1177, &c. [O.Fr. sterc.

Cleue, n. dwelling, cottage, 557,

596. [OE. cleofa.]

Cleuen, v. to cleave, split, 917; Clef, pa. t. sg. 2643, 2730. [OE.

cleofan.

Closede, pa. t. sg. enclosed, was included, 1310. [O.Fr. clore, clos-.] Cloth, n. cloth, garment, 185, 418, 546, 855, 968, 1144, 1145, &c. (MS. Clopen, pl. 1233). [OE. clat.] Clope, v. to clothe, 1138; Clopede, pa. t. sg. 420; Cladde, pa. t. sg. 1354, 2907; Clad, pp. 2889; Cloped, pp. 971. [OE. clādian and cladan.] See Unclopede.

Clubbe, n. club, 1927, 2289.

[ON. klubba.]

Clutes, n. pl. clonts, pieces of cloth, 547. [OE. clūt.]

Clyueden, pa. t. pl. fastened, clung, 1300. [OE. clifian.]

Cok, Kok, n. cook, 873, 880, 891, 903, 921, 967, 1123, 1146, OE. coc.

Cold, Kold, n. cold, 416, 449; cold fongen, to catch cold, 856.

OE. cald.

Comen. See Komen.

Cone. See Can.

Conestable, n. constable, warden, 2286, 2366. [O.Fr. conestable.

Conseyl, n. counsel, 2862. [O.Fr.

conseil.

Copes. See Kopes.

Corporaus, n. a linen cloth on which the sacrament is placed at Mass, and in which it is wrapped after Mass, 188. [O.Fr. corperaus.

Corune, n. crown 1319, 2944. [O.Fr. corune.] See Croun(e). Coruning, #. coronation, 2048.

[See prec.]

Cote, n. cottage, 737, 1141. [OE. cot.

Couel, Cuuel, Kouel, n. cloak, garment, 768, 858, 964, 1144, 2904. [OE. cufle.]

Couere, v. to recover, 2040.

O.Fr. covrer.

Coupe, v. to bny, pay dearly for, 1800; Keft, pp. 2005. [ON. kaupa, pp. keypt-r.]

Coupe. See Can. Crake. See Kraken.

Crauede, pa. t. sg. asked for, 633. [OE. crafian.] Crepen, v. to creep, 68. [OE.

creopan.

Cri, n. call, summons; at his cri, at his command, in his power, 270; at one cri, unanimously (?), with one voice (!), 2773. [O.Fr. cri.] Crice, n. the anal cleft, 2450.

[ON. kriki.]

Crie(n), v. to cry, implore lond-

ly, 2443, 2772; Criede, pa. t. sg. 2501. [O.Fr. crier.] Croiz, n. cross, 1263, 1268, 1358,

2139, &c. [O.Fr. crois.]

Croud, 2338. See Note.

Croun(e), n. crown of the head, 568, 902, 1814, 2657, 2734. [In form always distinct from corune, which has the same etymology. Crus, adj. angry, fierce, 1966.

[ON. or OLG. krūs.]

Crusshe. See To-crusshe. \*Cuneriche (MS. Cunnriche), Kunerike (also MS. Kuneriche), n. kingdom, 976, 2318, 2400, 2804; cf. Note to 2143. [OE. cynerice, influenced by ON. kunung, see Note to l. 2143.] See Kineriche. Cuppe, n. cup, 14. [OE. cuppe.] Curt, n. court, 1685. [O.Fr. curt.

Curteys, adj. well-bred, having

manners fit for a court, 2916.

[O.Fr. curteis.]

Curteysye, n.; of curteysye, decoronsly (!), in accordance with courtly manners (!), 194, (for gon in l. 195 may stand, cf. ll. 113, 125, 370, 2059); curteysye maken, treat in a courtly manner, 2875. [O.Fr. curteisie.]

Cuuel. See Couel.

Dam, n. lord, fellow (!), 2468. Here used as a term of reproach, but the same as Dan in Dan Chaucer, &c. [O.Fr. dam.]

Dame, n. lady, dame, 558, 1717.

[O.Fr. dame.]

Dapeit, Datheit, Datheyt, interj. a curse on! 296, 300, 926, 1125, 1799, 1887, 1914, 2047, 2447, 2511, 2604, 2757. In dapeyt on, 1995, it seems to imply strong negation; cf. 'devil a bit'. [O.Fr. dahait, see N.E.D. s.v. Dahet.]

Day, n. day, daylight, life-day, 143, 589, &c.; Dayes, adv. gen. sg. by day, 2353; Dayes, pl. 355, 865; Dawes, pl. 2344, 2950. [OE. dæg.] See Are-dawes.

Day-belle, n. morning bell,

1132. [OE, dæg + belle.]

Ded, Dede, n. death, 149, 167, 1687, &c. [Apparently from OE. dead, but the final d is unexplained. See Dede-bondes, Deth.

Ded, adj. dead, 232, 464, 2007.

[OE. dēad.]

Dede, n. deed, 180, 550, 1356, &c. See Hand-dede. [OE. ded.]

Dede, &c. See Do(n).

Dede-bondes, n. pl. bonds of death, 332, is probably a compound = ON. dauda-bond, pl. OE. dēað + ON. band.]

Deide. See Deye.

Del, n. part, 208, 218, 818, 1070, 1330, &c. [OE. dæl.] See Som-

Demen, v. to judge, 2467, 2476,

2812; Demden, pa. t. pl. 2820, 2833; Demd, pp. 2487, 2488, 2765, 2838. [OE. dēman.]

Deplike, adj. deeply, solemnly, 1417, synonymous with grundlike.

[OE. deoplice.]

Dere, n. dearth, 824, 841. [OE. \*deoru.

Dere, adj. dear, 839, 2170, 2882,

&c. [OE. deore.]

Dere, adv. dearly, at great cost,

1637, 1638. [OE. deore.]

Dere, v. to harm, injure, 490, 574, 648, 806, 2310. [OE. derian.] Desherite, v. disinherit, 2547.

[O.Fr. desheriter.]

Deth, n. death, 116, 354. [OE.

dēat. See Ded.

Deuel, n. devil, 446, 496, 1188, 1400. [OE. deofol.]

Deus, interj. God! 1312, 1650, 1930, 2096, 2114. [O.Fr. deus.]

Deye(n), v. to die, 168, 257, 840; Deyede, Deide, pa. t. sg. 231, 402. [ON. deyja.]

Deyled (MS. Deled), pp. distributed, 1736. [ON. deila, the MS. reading showing OE. dælan.] See To-deyle.

Dide, &c. See Do(n).

Dik(e), n. ditch, 1923, 2435.

OE. dic. Dine, n. din, noise, 1860, 1868.

[OE. dyne.]

Dinge, v. to strike, beat, scourge, 215, 2329; Dong, pa. t. sg. 1147; Dungen, pp. 227. [Cf. OE. dencgan, wk.; ON. dengja, wk.]

Dint, n. blow, stroke, 1437, 1807, 1817, 1969. [OE. dynt.]

See Dunten. Dishes, n. pl. dishes, 919. [OE.

disc.

Do(n), v. to do, cause (usually with an infinitive in passive value, as do casten, cause to be cast, 519), put, 117, 528, 535, 577, 611, 1191, 2863; Dos, 2 sg. pres. indic. 2390; Dos, Doth, 3 sg. pres.

indic. 1840, 1994, 2434, 2698; Dos, Doth, imper. pl. 2037, 2592; Don, pres. indic. pl. 1838; Do, subj. 2600; Dede, Dide, pa. t. sg. 658, 659, 709, 859, 970, 2393, 2903, &c. (on the e forms see Morsbach, ME. Gram., § 130, n. 6); Deden, Diden, pa. t. pl. 242, 943, 2306; Do(n), pp. 667, 1169, 1805. Dones on = don es on, to put them on, 970 (see Es, pron.); don of line, to put out of life, kill, 1805. [OE. don.]

Dogges, n. pl. dogs, 1839, 1883,

1967, &c. [OE. dogga.]

Dom, n. judgement, 2473, 2487, 2813, &c. [OE. dom.]

Domesday, n. Day of Judgement, 748, 2523. [OE. domesdæg.]

Dore, n. door, 1788, 1792. [OE.

Dore-tre, n. bar of a door, 1806. 1968. [Prec. + OE. treo.] See

Doubte, pa. t. sg. was of worth, was good, availed, 703, 833, 1184. OE. dūgan, dēah (pret. pres.), dohte.

Doubter, Dowbter, n. daughter, 120, 258, 350, 717, 1079, 2712, 2867, 2914, 2979, 2982, &c. [OE. dohtor.]

Doumbe, adj. pl. dumb, 543. [OE. dumb.]

Doun, Dun(e), adv. down, 888, 901, 925, 927, 1815, 2656, &c.

See Adoun. Doute, n. fear, 1331, 1377.

[O.Fr. doute.]

Doutede, pa. t. sg. feared, 708. [O.Fr. douter.]

[Drad (MS.). See Adrad.] Drake, n. drake, 1241. [Cf. German dialectal drake.]

Drawe(n), v. to draw, drag; Drou, Drow, pa. t. sg. 705, 719, 942, &c.; Drowen, pa. t. pl. 1837; Drawe(n), pp. 1769, 1925, 1225, 2477, 2603, &c.; to be peni drou, see Peni; drou him to, made for, 719. See To-, Vt-, Withdrawen. [OE. dragan.]

Drawing, n. pulling, tearing,

235. [To prec.]

Drede(n), v. to dread, fear; Dred, imper. sg. 661, 2168; Dredde(n), pa. t. pl. 2289, 2568. [OE. (on)dredan.] See Adrad.

Dred(e), n. dread, anxiety, 90, 181, 478, 828, 1169, 1664. [To prec.

Drem, n. dream, 1284, 1304, 1315. [OE. drēam, ON. draum-r.] Dremede, pa. t. sg. impers., me

dremede, I dreamed, 1284, 1304.

To prec.

Drenchen (MS. also Dreinchen, 561; Drinchen, 553), v. to drown, 583, 1416, 1424, &c.; Drenched, pp. 520, 669, 1368, 1379. [OE.

drencan.

Drong, n. 'a free tenant (specially) in ancient Northumbria, holding by a tenure older than the Norman Conquest, the nature of which was partly military, partly servile' (N.E.D.), 31, 1327, 2184, 2194, 2260, 2466. [ON. dreng-r.]

Drepe(n), v. to kill, slay, 506, 1783 (see Note), 1865, &c.; Drop, pa. t. sg. 2229; see Note. [OE.

drepan.

Dreping, n. slaughter, 2684. To prec.

Drinken, v. to drink, 15, 459, 800, &c. [OE. drincan.]

Drink, n. drink, 1738, 2457, &c. To prec.

Drit-cherl, n. dirty fellow, 682.

[ON. drit + OE. ceorl.]

Driue(n), v. to drive, rush, go quickly; Driuende, pres. ptc. 2702; Drof, pa. t. sg. 725, 1793, 1872; Driue, pa. t. pl. 1966; Driuen, pp. 2599. [OE. drifan.]

Drop. See Drepen. Drou. See Drawen.

Dubben, v. to dub, create (a

knight), 2042; Dubbede, pa. t. sg. 2314. [See N.E.D. s.v. Dub.]

Duelle, Dwellen, v. to tarry, linger, remain, 4, 1058, 1185, 1351; Dwelleden, pa. t. pl. 1189. [OE. dwellan.]

Dwelling, n. delay, 1352. To prec.]

Dun(e). See Donn. Dungen. See Dinge.

Dunten, pa. t. pl. struck, beat, 2448. [Cf. Dint, n.; but Scotch dunt, n., Swedish dunta, v., point

to Norse origin.

Durste, pa. t. sg. durst, dare, 272; Dursten, pa. t. pl. 1866. [OE. dearr (pret. pres.), dorste.] Dust, n. dust, 2832. [OE. dūst.]

Eie, n. eye, 1152, 2545; Eyne, Eyen (MS. Eyn, 2171), pl. 680, 1273, 1340, 1364, 2171, &c. [OE. ēge.

Eir, Eyr, n. heir, 110, 289, 410 (see Note), 2539, &c. [O.Fr.

eir.

Ek, Ec, adv. also, 1025, 1038, 1066, 2348, &c. [OE. ēc.] Cf.

El, n. eel, 755 (MS. Hwel), 897, 918. [OE. zl.]

[Eld, MS. adj. old, 546; Helde, pl. 2472, perhaps represent Southem OE. eald. See Old.]

Eld, n. age; comen in-til elde, reached years of discretion, or a marriageable age, 128, 174; be of elde, 387. [OE. eld.]

Eldeste, adj. superl. wk. eldest, 1396. [OE. eldest.] See Old.

Elles, adv. else, 1192, 2590. [OE. elles.]

Em, n. uncle, 1326. [OE. (WS.) eam.

Ende, n. duck, 1241. TOE. ened.

Ende, n. dat. end, 247, 734. [OE. ende.]

Endinge, n. end, death, 3001. OE. endung.

Er, adv. before, 541, 634. [OE. ær.] See Are-dawes, Or, adv.

Er, conj. before, 15, 229, 317, 1261, 2680. [To prec.]

Erchebishop, n. archbishop, 1178. [OE. ærcebiscop.]

Erde (MS. Erbe), v. to dwell,

739. [OE. eardian.] Eritage, n. heritage, 2836.

[O.Fr. eritage.] Erl, n. earl, 31, 189, 206, 273,

443, 2898, &c. [OE. corl.] Erldom, n. earldom, 2009. [OE.

eorl + dom.

Ern, n. eagle, 572. [OE. earn.] Erpe, n. earth, ground, 248, 424, 740, 2657. [OE. corde.]

\*Es = is, 2699, see Introd., p. xxix.

Es, Ys, \*Is (MS. As, 1174), pron. pl. them, 1174 (bis); dones  $on = don \ es \ on$ , put them on, 970. See Note to 1. 784. [See N.E.D. s.v. His.

Et, pron. neut. sg. attached to verbs = it: bihetet = bihete et, 677; havedet, 714; youenet, 1643; hauenet, 2005. See It.

Ete(n), v. to eat, 146, 317, 457, 641, 791, 800, 911; Eteth, fut. 672; Et, imper. 19, 925; Et, pa. t. sg. 653, 656, 1879; Eten, pp. 657, 929. [OE. etan.]

Euere, Eure, adv. ever, 17, 207, 327, 424, 704, 830, &c. [OE. æfre.]

Euere-ich, Eueri, adj. every, 8, 137, &c. [OE. æfre-ylc.]

Euer(e)-ilk, -ile (MS. Ener(e)il generally in eueril del, 219, 1334, 1664, 1764, 2318, &c.), adj. every, 1330. 2258, 2432; Eueridel, 1070, 1176, 1383. [See prec.

Eueri. See Euere-ich.

Euerilk-on, pron. every one, 1062, 1996, 2197 [Prec. + OE. an.] Euere-mar, adv. evermore, 1971. [OE. \$\overline{x}fre + mare.]\$
Eyen, Eyne. See Eie.
Eyr. See Eir.
\*Eyper. See Ayper.

Fader, n. father, 1224, 1403, 1416, &c. [OE. fæder.]

Faderles, adj. fatherless, 75. [OE. (Merc.) feadur-lēas.]

Fadmede, pa. t. sg. embraced, encircled (with the arms), 1295. [OE. fæðmian, fædmian.]

Faile, Fayle, n.; with-uten faile, without fail, 179, 2909.

[O.Fr. faile.]

Falle, v. to fall, befall, happen, occur, appertain to, 39, &c.; Falles, imper. pl. 2302; Fel, pa. t. sg. 351, 1009, 1177, 1190, 1815, 2359; Felle(n), pa. t. pl. 1303, 2656; Felle, pa. t. subj. 1673; Felden, wk. pa. t. pl. 2698; Fallen, pp. 2658. [OE fallan.]

Fals, adj. false, \*1157, 2511.

[O.Fr. fals.]

Falwes, n. pl. ploughed fields, 2509. [See N.E.D.]

Fare, n. journey, 1337, 2621.

[OE. faru.]

Faren, v. to go, fare, 51, 120, 264, 1392, 2690, 2705; For, pa. t. sg. 2382, 2943; Foren, pa. t. pl. 2380, 2618; faren with, to act towards, treat, 2705. [OE. faran.] See Ferde.

Fast, adj. firm, fast, 710. [OE.

fæst.

Faste, adv. fast, firmly, closely, attentively, 83, 144, 537, 2148. [OE. fæste.]

Fastinde, pres. ptc. fasting, 865.

[OE. fæstan.]

Fauht. See Fyhten.

Fawen, adj. fain, glad, 2160. [OE. fagen.]

Fayr, Fair, adj. fair, 111, &c.; Fayrest(e), Fairest, superl. 200, 281, 1081, &c. [OE. fæger.] Fayre, Faire, Feyre, adv. fairly, 224, 452, 785. [To prec.]

Fe, n. possessions, goods, money, 44, 386, 563, 1225, 2213, &c. [OE. feh, \*fc.]

Feble, adj. scanty, wretched, 323, 2457. [O.Fr. feble.]

Feblelike, adv. scantily, 418.

[Prec. + OE. līce.]

Fede(n), v. to feed, rear, 100, 322, 906; Fedde, pa. t. sg. 420, 2907; Fed, pp. 657. [OE. fedan.] Fel. See Falle.

Felawes, n. pl. companions,

1338. [ON. félagi.]

Feld, n. field, 2634, 2685, 2911. [OE. feld.]

Felde, pa. t. sg. felled, 1859, 2694; Feld, pp. 1824. [OE. fellan.]

Felden. See Falle.

Fele, adj. many, 778, 1277, 1737, &c. [OE. fela.]

Fele, adv. very, 2442. [See prec.] Felede, pa. t. sg. put to flight,

67. [ON. fæla.]
Felony, Felounye, n. felony,

crime, 444, 2989. [O.Fr. felonic.] Fen, s. mud, 872, 2102. [OE. fenn.]

Fend, n. fiend, 506, 1411, 2229.

Fer, adv. far, 1863; from far (?), 2341; fer and hende, far and near, 359, 2275; fer ne ner, 2793. [OE. feor(r).]

Ferd, n. army, 2384, 2535, 2548,

2602, &c. [OE. ferd.]

Ferde, pa. t. sg. journeyed, went, went on, 287, 447, 1678, &c.; Ferden, pa. t. pl. 151; ferde with, acted towards, treated, 2411. [OE. fēran.]

Fere, n. companion, wife, 1214.

[OE. (ge)fēra.]

Ferlik(e), n. wonder, 1258, 1849. [Cf. OE. (WS.) færlic, adj.] Ferne, adj. distant, 2031. See next.

Ferne, adv. far. 1864. [OE. feorran(e).]

Ferpe, adj. fourth, 1810. [OE.

feorda.

Ferping, n. and adj. farthing, 878; ferpinges nok, particle of a farthing, 820. [OE. jeording.] Feste, n. feast, 2344, &c. [O.Fr. feste.

Feste, v. to feast, endow, 2938.

[O.Fr. fester.]

Festen, v. to fasten, bind, grip, 82, 1785; Fest, pp. 144. [OE. fæstan, ON. festa.]

Fet. See Fot.

Fete, v. to fetch, bring, 316, 642, 912, 937, 1715, 2037, 2341. [OE. fetian.

Fetere, v. to fetter, 2758. [To

Feteres, n. pl. fetters, 82, 2759. [OE. fetor.]

Fey, n. faith, 255, 1666. [O.Fr. fei, see next.]

Feyth, n. faith, 2269, 2853. [O.Fr. feið, earlier form of fei.] Fif, Fiue, adj. five, 213. [OE. fif.

Fifte, adj. fifth, 1816. OE.

fīfta. Fiht, n. fight, 2668, 2716.

feht(e).] See Fyhten. Fikel, adj. fickle, disloyal, 1210,

2799. [OE. ficol.]

File, n. filthy fellow, 2499. [ON. fyla.]

Fille, n. fill, 954. [OE. fyllo.] Fille, v. to fill, complete; Fil, imper. 14; Filde, pa. t. sg. 933;

Fulde, pp. 355, see Note. [OE. fyllan. Finde(n), Fynde, v. to find, 42, 220, 1083; Funde, pa. t. sg.

49; Funden, pa. t. pl. 56, 602; Funde(n), pp. 1427, 2376. [OE. findan.

Finger, n. finger, 1743. [OE.

finger.

Fir, Fyr, n. fire, 585, 915, 1162;

firing, fuel, 912. [OE. fyr.] See Fir-sticke.

Firrene, adj. made of fir-wood, 2078. [To OE. \*fyre, ON. fyri-.]

First(e), adj. first, 1052, 2657.

[OE. fyrst.]

Fir-sticke, n. faggot, 966. [Prec. + OE. sticca.

Fish, n. fish, 751, 833; Fish, pl. collective, 762, 814; Fishes, pl. 882, 1393. [OE. fisc.]

Fishere, n. fisherman, 524, 749,

2230. [OE. fiscere.]

Fiuetene, adj. fifteen, 2979. [Remodelling of OE. fiftene.] Flaunes, n. pl. a flat cake

made with custard, 644. [O.Fr. flaon.

Flawen. See Flo.

Fle, v. flee, 492, 1195; Fledde, pa. t. sg. 1431 : Fledden, pa. t. pl.

2416. [OE. fleon.] Flemen, v. to put to flight,

drive out, 1160. [OE. fleman.] Flete, pres. subj. sg. float, swim, 522. [OE. fleotan.]

Fleye, v. to fly, 1791, 1813, 1827, 2751; Fley, pa. t. sg. 1305. [OE. flegan.]

Fleys(h), Flesh, n. flesh, 216, 781. [OE. flæsc.]

Flintes, n. pl. flints, stones,

1863. [OE. flint.]

Flo, v. to flay, 612, 2495; Flow, pa. t. sg. 2502; Flowe, pa. t. pl. 2433; Flawen, pp. 2476. [ON. flá.

Flod, n. sea, 522, 669, 1222. [OE. *flōd*.]

Flok, n. band, company, 24. [OE. floce.]

Flote, n. company, household,

738. [O.Fr. flote.] Flour, n. flower, blossom, 1719,

2017. [O.Fr. flour.] Fnaste, v. to breathe, 548. [OE. fnæstian.

Fo, Foo, n. foe, 67, 1363, 2849

OE. fah, (ge) fa.]

Fol, n. fool, 298, 2100. [O.Fr. fol.]

Fol, adj. foolish, 307. [O.Fr.

fol.

Folc, Folk, n. people, men, warriors, 89, 438, &c. [OE. folc.] Folwes, imper. pl. follow, 1885, 2601; Folwede, pa. t. sg. 1994. [OE. folgian.] See Felede.

Fonge, v. to take, 763 (see Note); for cold fongen, 856, see Cold.

[OE. fon, pp. fangen.]

For, prep. for, on account of, 34, 44, 285, 1670, &c.; before, 2783, 2947; for to, forto, is commonly prefixed to the infinitive, 38, 102, &c. [OE. for, fore.]

For, conj. for, 167, 2222, &c.

[OE. for, prep.]

For, Foren. See Faren.

Forbere, v. to spare, neglect (deliberately), 352: Forbar, pa. t. sg. 764, 2623. [OE. forberan.] Forfaren, pp. brought to destruction, 1380. [OE. forfaren.]

Forgat, pa. t. sg. forgot, 2636, 2897. [OE. for+ON. geta; cf. OE. forgetan.] See Foryat.

Forgiue, v. to forgive, 2718. [OE. for + ON. gifa; cf. OE. for-

gefan.

For-henge, v. kill by hanging, 2724. [OE. for+ON. hengja.] Forhwi, adv. wherefore, why,

2578. [OE. forhwī.]

Forlor(e)n, pp. (utterly) lost, 580, 770, 1424. [OE. forlēosan.] Formede, pa. t. sg. formed, made, 1168. [O.Fr. former.]

Forsake, v. to refuse, 2778.

[OE. forsacan.]

Forsworen, pp. forsworn, perjured, 1423. [OE. forswerian.]

Forth, adv. forth, onward, forward, 91, 338, &c. [OE. fort.]

Forpi, adv. and conj. because, therefore, 1194, 1431, 2043, 2500. [OE. for  $p\bar{y}$  (pe).]

Forthward, adv. in the future,

as the tale proceeds, 731, 1640. [OE. foroward.]

Forto. See For.

Forw, n. furrow, 1094. [OE.

furh.

Forward(e), n. promise, compact, condition, 554; to pat forward, on condition that, 486. [OE. foreward.]

Foryat, pa. t. sg. forgot, 249.

[OE. forgetan.] See Forgat.
Fostred, pp. nourished, brought

up, 1434, 2239. [OE. fostrian.] Fot, n. foot, foot-length, 1199, 2432 (see Note); Fote, dat. in on fote, 101, &c.; Fote, gen. pl. 1054; Fet, pl. 616, 1022, 1303, 2479. [OE. fot.]

Founten. See Fyhten.

Foure, adj. four, 816; one foure, four only, 1742. [OE. feōwer.]
Fourteniht, n. fortnight, 2284.

[OE. feōwertēne niht.] Fre, adj. free, 262, 530, 629, &c.

[OE. frēo.]

Fredom, n. freedom, 631. [OE. frēo-dom.]

Freman, n. freeman, 628. [OE.

freeman.]

Fremde, adj. pl. (as n.) strangers, 2277. [OE. fremde.]

Freme, v. to perform, do, 441.

[OE. fremian.]

Frende, friend, relative, 375; Frend, pl. 326, 2068; Frendes, pl. 2585. [OE. frēond, but the disyllabic form and the sense at 375 point to ON. frændi.]

Frest, n. delay; do on frest = put off, postpone, 1337. [ON. frest.]

[Fri (MS.), adj. 1072, free,

generous.]
Frie, v. to blame, 1998. [ON.

frýja.]

Fro, prep. from, 16, 265, 279, 332, 692, &c.; adv. in to and fro, 2071. [ON. frd.]

Frusshe. See To-frusshe.

Ful, adv. very, much, completely, 6, 82, 141, 611, 2589, &c. [OE. full.]

Fulde. See Fille.

Ful(e), Foule, adj. foul, 506, 555, 626, 965, 1158, 2401, &c. [OE. fūl.]

Ful(le), adj. full, 780, 2686.

[OE. full.]

Fullike (MS. Fulike), adv. shamefully, 2749. [OE. ful(1)ice.] Funde(n). See Finden.

Fyhten (MS. Fyht), v. to fight, 2361; Fauht, pa. t. sg. 1990; Fouhten, pa. t. pl. 2661. [OE.

fehtan.] See Fiht.

Fyn, n. ending, 22. O.Fr. fin.

Gad, n. goad, 279, 1016. [ON. gadd-r.

Gadeling, s. a low fellow, 1121. OE. godeling.

Gadred, pp. gathered, 2577. [OE. gadrian.]

Gaf. See Giue.

Galle, n. gall, 40. [OE. galla.] Galues, n. pl. gallows, 687, 2477, 2508. [OE. galga.]

Galwe-tre, n. gallows, 43, 335,

695. [OE. galg-trēo, ON. gálgatre.

Game(n), n. game, sport, joy, 468, 980, 1716, 2135, 2577, 2935, 2963; Game, 996, perhaps means 'amorous play'; in 2250 'joyous ceremony'. [OE. gamen.]

Gan, pa. t. used with infinitive as equivalent of the simple preterite as in gan crien = cried, 2443; \*gan priue (MS. bigan), 280, &c. See Biginnen. [OE. -ginnan.]

Gange(n), Gongen, v. to walk, go, 370, 796, 845, 855, 1185, 1739, 2059, &c.; Gonge, 2 sg. pres. subj. 690, 843; Gangande, pres. ptc. walking, on foot, 2283. [OE. gangan.]

Gart(e), pa. t. sg. caused, made, 189, 1001, 1082, 1857, &c. [ON. gera; the regular a is difficult.]

Gat(en). See Geten.

Gate, n. way, road, 846, 889, 2509. [ON. gata.] See Hwilkgat, Dusgate.

\*Geet, n. pl. goats, added in l. 701. [OE. gāt, pl. gæt.]

Genge, n. company, household, retinue, 786, 1735, 2353, 2362, 2383. [ON. gengi.]

Gent, adj. fair, noble, 2139.

[O.Fr. gent.]

Gere. See Messe-gere.

Gest, n. tale, romance, 2328, 2084. [O.Fr. geste.]

Gete, v. to watch, guard, look after, 2762, 2960. [ON. gata.]

Gete(n), v. to get, earn, catch, beget, 147, 792, 908, 1393; Gat, pa. t. sg. 495, 730; Gaten, Geten, pa. t. pl. 2893, 2934, 2978; Geten, pp. 930. [ON. geta.] See Forgat.

Girde, pa. t. sg. girt, 2922; Girt, pp. 2385. [OE. gyrdan.] Gisarm, n. a halberd, a kind of

battle-axe with a spike at its back, 2533. [O.Fr. gisarme.]

Giue, v. to give, 2880 (see Giue, n.); Gaf, pa. t. sg. 219, 418, 1311, &c.; Gouen, pa. t. pl. 164; Give, pp. 2488; Gyuen, pp. 365; Gouen, pp. 220. On gouen hem ille, grieved, 164, see Note. [ON. gefa, O.Sw. gifa; see N.E.D.] Yeue.

Giue, Gyue, n. gift, 357; ich giue ps a giue pat . . ., I give thee assurance that . . ., 2880. [To prec.]

Giuéled, pp. heaped up, 814. [O.Fr. \*geveler.]

Glad, adj. glad, 947. [OE. glæd.] Gladlike, adv. gladly, 805, 906, 1760. [OE. glædlice.]

Glede, n. dat. a live coal, 91,

870. [OE. glēd.]

Gleiue, Gleyue, n. spear or lance (cf.l 1864), sword (?). The meaning is usually not clear from the context; 267, 1748, 1770, 1844, 1864, 1981. [O.Fr. gleive.]

Glem, n. gleam, ray, 2122. [OE.

glæm.]

Gleu, n. sport, amusement, 2332. [OE. glēow.] See next word. Gleumen (MS. Glevmen altered

from Gleymen), n. pl. gleemen, musicians, 2329. [OE. glēoman.] Glides, 3 sg. pres. indic. glides, flows, 1851. [OE. glīdan.]

Glotuns, n. pl. gluttons, rascals,

2104. [O.Fr. glutun.]

Gnede, adj. niggardly, mean, 97.

[OE.\*gnēde.]

God, n. God, 35, &c.; God, dat. sg. in God pank, 2005 (see Pank). [OE. god.]

God, n. good thing, property, goods, 797, 1221, 2034, &c. [OE.

god, adj.]

God(e), adj. good, 1, 7, 8, 22,

34, &c. [OE. god.]

Goddot, interj. God knows, 606, 642, 796, 909, 1656, 2543; cf. 2527. [OE. god wāt.] See Wite(n). Gold, n. gold, 44, 47, 73, 357,

&c. [OE. gold.]

Gome, n. man, 7. [OE. guma.] Go(n), v. to walk, go, avail, 113, 125, 1045; Goth, imper. pl. 1780; Gon, pp. 848, 1430, 2692. [OE. gān.] See Ouer-ga, Yede.

Gonge(n). See Gange(n).
Gore, n. filth (!), garment (!) 2496,

see Note. [OE. gor (?) or gāra (?).] Gos, n. goose, 1240; Gees, pl. 702. [OE. gōs.]

Gouen. See Gine.

Goulen, v. howl, cry, 454; Gouleden, pa. t. pl. 164. [ON. gaula.]

gaula.]
Gram, adj. angry, 2469. [OE.

gram.

Graten, Groten, v. to weep, 329; Grotinde, pres. ptc. 1390;

Graten, pp. 241; I-groten, pp. 285. [ON. grata.] See Greten. Graue, v. to bury, 613; Grauen, pp. 2528. [OE. grafan.]

Graue, n. grave, 408. [OE.

græf.

Grauntede, pa. t. sg. granted, 1154. [O.Fr. graunter.]

Grede, v. to call (loudly), 96, 2703; Gredde, pa. t. sg. 2417.

[OE. grēdan.]
Greme, v. to anger, annoy, 442.

[OE. gremian.] See Gram. Grene, adj. green, sickly in

colour, 470. [OE. grēne.]
Grene, n. a green, a grassy field,

996, 2828, 2840. [To prec.] Gres, n. grass, 2698. [OE.

græs.]

Gret(e), adj. great, big, 771, 897; Grettere, compar. 1893.

[OE. grēat.]

Grete(n), v. to weep, 454; Gret, pa. t. sg. 615, 1129, 2159; Greten, pa. t. pl. 164, 236, 415, 449, 2796. [OE. grētan, grēotan.]

Greting, n. weeping, 166. [To

prec.

Grette, pa.t. sg. greeted, saluted, accosted, assailed, 452, 1811, 2625; Gretten, pa.t. pl. 1212; Gret, pp. 2290; I-gret, pp. 163. [UE. grētan.]

Greu, Grewe. See Growen. Greue, v. to grieve, offend, 2953.

[O.Fr. grever.]

Greype, v. to prepare, 1762; Greypede, pa. t. sp. 706; Greyped, pp. 714; Greyped (MS. Grebet), pp. 2615; Greyped (MS. Grebed), pp. handled roughly, treated badly, 2003. [ON. greiða.]

Greyue, n. an official in town administration, 266, 1711; pe greyues, the official's (house),

1749. [ON. greifi.]

Grim, adj. fierce, angry, severe, 155, 680, 2398, 2655, 2761. [OE. grimm.]

Grim, n. rage, excitement, 2333,

see Note. [To prec.]
Grim(!), n. grime(!), dirt(!),

2496. See Note. Grip, n. griffin, 572. [O.Fr.

grip.]
Grip, n. ditch, 1924, 2102. [OE.

grype.]

Gripe(n), v. to grip, grasp, snatch; Gripeth, imper. pl. 1882; Grop, pa. t. sg. 1776, 1871, 1890, 2728, &c.; Gripen, pa. t. pl. 1790. [OE. gripan.]

Grith, n. peace, security, 61, 511.

[ON. grið.]

Grith-sergeans, n. pl. officers appointed to keep the peace, 267. [Prec. + O.Fr. sergant.]

Grom, n. boy, 790; Grom, pl. 2472. Note the rimes with nor-

mal  $\bar{\rho}$  and  $\bar{\rho}$ . [See N.E.D.] Gronge, n. grange, farm-house,

764. [O.Fr. graunge.] Grop. See Gripen.

Grotes, n. pl. pieces, small pieces, 472, 1414. [OE. grot.]
Grotinde. See Graten.

Growen, v. to grow, 1167; Greu, pa. t. sg. 2333, Grewe, pa. t. pl. 2975, arose; in the phrases grim greu, 2333 (see Note); wordes grewe, 2975. [OE. growan.]

Grund(e), n. dat. ground, 1859, 1979, 2675. [OE. grund.]

Grunden, pp. ground, sharpened, 2503. [OE. grindan.]

Grundlike, adj. pl. solemn, 2013. [OE. grund + līc.]

Grundlike, adv. heartily, solemnly, 651, 2268, 2307, 2659. [OE. grund + līce.]

Grund-stalwurpe, adj. very stalwart, 1027. [OE. grund + stælwyrðe.]

Gyue. See Giue.

Halde, Holde(n), v. to hold, keep, be loyal, 29, 1171, 1382; Held, pa. t. sg. 61, 109, 2526; Helden, pa. t. pl. 69, 1201; Halden, pp. 2806; halde with, support, stand by, 2308. [OE. haldan.] Half, adj. half, 2370. [OE. half.]

Halle, n. dat. hall, 157, 239,

1067, &c. [OE. hall.] Hals, n. neck, 521, 670, 2510. [OE. hals.]

Halte, adj. pl. lame, 543. [OE. halt.]

Halue, n. pl. sides; bi bohe halue, on both sides, 2682. [OE.

half.]
Haluendel, n. the half part, 460.

[OE. halfan dæl, acc.] Hamer, n. hammer, 1877. [OE.

hamor.]

Hand, Hond, n. hand, possession, 50, 251, 1342, 2446; in honde haue, 1020, see Note; Handes, Hondes, pl. 95, 215, 235, 333, 636, &c.; Hend, pl. See Hend. [OE. hand.]

Hand-ax, n. battle-axe, 2553.

[Prec. + OE. x.]

Hand-bare, adj. empty-handed, 766. [OE. hand+bær.] Hand-dede, n. dat. pl. deeds of

the hand, 92. [OE. hand + dēd.] Handlen, Handel, v. to handle, wield, 347, 586. [OE. handlian.] Hangen, Honge, v. to hang.

335, 695, 2807. [OE. hangian, wk.; hon, str., pp. hangen.] See Heng.

Hard(e), adj. hard, oppressive, 143, 1992. [OE. hard.]

Harde, adv. hard, 567, 639, &c. [To prec.]

Hare, n. hare, 1994. [OE. hara.] Harping, n. playing on the harp,

2325. [OE. harpung.]
Harum, n. pity, 1983 (see Note),

2409. [OE. harm.] Hasard, n. game at dice, 2326. [O.Fr. hasard.]

Hated(e), pa. t. sg. hated, 40, 1188. [OE. hatian.]

Hauen, v. to have, 78, &c.; Haues(t), 2 sg. pres. indic. 688, 848, &c.; Haues, Haueth, 3 sg. pres. indic. 564, 1266, 1285, 1952, 1980, &c.; Hauen, pl. pres. indic. 1227; Haueden, pa. t. pl. 163, 238, &c.; Hauede(n), pa. t. subj. would have, 1428, 1643, 1687, 2020, 2675; Hauenet, 2005; Hauedet, 714, see Et. Haui = Haue i, 2002. [OE. habban.]

Haui. See Hauen.

He, pron. 3 sg. masc. he, 6, 8, &c.; His(e), poss. adj. 34, &c.; Him, acc. and dat. 18, 30, 286, &c. [OE. hē, his, him.]

He, pron. 3 pl. they, 54, 57, &c.; Her (e), gen. pl. and poss. adj. 52, &c.; Hem, acc. and dat. pl. 367, &c. [OE. heo, heora, heom.] See

Þei.

Hode, imper. sg. take heed! have a care! 2389. [OE. hēdan.] Heie. See Hey.

Held(en). See Halde.

Hele(n), v. to heal, 1836, 2058. [OE. hælan.] See Holed.

Heles, n. pl. heels, 898. hēla.]

Helle, n. hell, 16, &c.; Helle, gen. sg. 405. [OE. hell.]

Helm, n. helmet, 379, 624, 1653, 2612, &c. [OE. helm.]

Helpen, v. to help, 166, 1712; Helpes, imper. pl. 2595; Holpen, pp. in holpen doune with, goi. [OE. helpan.]

Hem (MS. Hom, 1298), pron. them, 367, 376, &c. [OE. heom.] See He, pron. pl., and bei.

Hemp, n. hemp, 782. henep.

Hend, n. pl. hands, 505, 2069, 2444. [ON. hend-r, pl.] See Hand.

Hende, adj. courteous, skilful, 1104, 1421, 1704, 2628, 2877, 2014. [See next.]

Hende, adv. near at hand in

fer and hende, 359, 2275. [OE. (ge)hende.]

Hendeleike, n. dat. courtesv. 2793. [Hende, adj. + ON. -leik-r.] Hengen, v. to hang, 43, 2486;

Henged, pp. 1429, 1922, 2480. [ON. hengja.] See For-henge and Hangen.

Henne, n. hen, 702, 1240. [OE.

henne, -a, beside henn. Henne, adv. hence, 843, 1780, 1799. [OE. heonan(e).]

Her, n. hair, 1924. [OE. her.]

See Hor.

Herboru, n. lodging, 742. [OE. \*herebeorg.]

Herborwed, pp. lodged, housed,

742. [To prec.] Her(e), adv. here, 689, 1058,

1880, &c. [OE. hēr.] Her(e), Hire, pron. their, 52, 393, 465, 953, &c. [OE. heora,

hiora.] See Ilker, per(e). Here, n. army, 346, 379, 2153,

&c.; rapine, 66. [OE. here.] Here(n), v. to hear, listen, 4,

732, 1640, 2279; Herde, pa. t. sg. 286, 465, &c.; Herden, pa. t. pl. 150, &c. [OE. heran.] See Y-here.

Hering, n. herring, 758. [OE. hering.]

Herinne, adv. herein, 458. [OE.  $h\bar{e}r + innan.$ 

Herkne, v. to listen, imper. sg. 1285; Herkneth, imper. pl. 1. [OE. hercnian.]

Hermites, n. pl. hermits, 430. [O.Fr. hermite.]

Hernes, n. pl. brains, 1808, 1917 (see Note). [ON. hjarni,

earlier \*hearn-.] Hern-panne, n. brain-pan, skull,

1991. [Prec. + OE. panne.] Her-of (MS. Heroffe), adv. 2585. [OE.  $h\bar{e}r + of$ .]

Hort, n. hart, deer, 1872. heor(o't.]

Herte, n. heart, 479, 2054;

Herte, gen. sg. 70, 1819. [OE.

heorte.

Hertelike, adv. heartily, bravely, 1347, 2748. [Prec. + lice.]

Hetelike, adv. fiercely, furiously,

2655. [OE. hetelice.]

Hepen, adv. hence, 683, 690, 845, 1085, 2727. [ON. hedan.] Hou, n. colour, complexion, 2918.

OE. hēow.

Heued, n. head, 379, 624, 1653, 1701, 1759, 1907, &c. [OE. hēafod.

Heuen(e), n. heaven, 62, 246, 1276, &c. Heuene, gen. pl. 1937. [OE. heofon.]

Heuene-riche, n. kingdom of heaven, 133, 407. [OE. heofon-

rice.] See Rike.

Heui, adj. heavy, laborious, 808, 2456, &c. [OE. hefig.]

Hew, pa. t. sg. cut, 2729. [OE.

hēawan.] See To-hewen. Hexte, adj. superl. weak, highest, tallest, 1080, \*199. See

Hey.

Hey, adj. high, tall, 987, 1071, 1083, 1289; heye se, high sea, 719; heye curt, high court, 1685; heye and lowe, high and low, every one, 2431, 2471, &c. [OE. heh.

Heye, adv. high, on high, 43,

335, 695, &c. [To prec.]

Hey(e)like, adv. highly, nobly, 1329, 2319. [OE. heh + lice.]

Heyman, n. man of high rank, nobleman, 231, 1260. [OE. heh + man.

Hidden, pa. t. pl. hid, 69; Hyd, pp. 1059. [OE. hydan.]

Hider, adv. hither, 868, 885, 1431. [OE. hider.] Hides, n. pl. skins, 918. [OE.

hyd. Hil, Hyl, n. hill, heap, 892,

1287. [OE. hyll.] Hile, v. to cover, 2082. JON.

hylja.]

Hine, n. pl. servants, slaves, 620.

[OE. hīna, gen. pl.]

Hire, pron. fem. acc. gen. dat. sg. her, to her, 127, 130, 131, 333, 2916, &c. [OE. hire.]

Hire, n. hire, pay, 908, 910.

 $[OE. h\bar{y}r.]$ 

His(e), Hyse (MS. Is, 735, &c.; Hiis, 47, 468), poss. adj. his, 34, 333, 355, 794, 2395, &c.; absolutely used, 2018. The forms in -e are properly plural, being new formations on the analogy of mine, pine. [OE. his, gen. sg.] See He.

Hof, pa. t. sg. heaved, raised, [OE. hebban, pret. sg.

hōf.

Hok, n. hook, fish-hook, 752, 1102. [OE. hōc.]

Hol, adj. whole, well, 2075.

[OE. *hāl*.]

Hold, adj. loyal; his soule hold = loyal to his soul, i.e. actuated by care for his soul, 74; hold(e) opes, oaths of loyalty or fealty (cf. OE. hold-ābas), 2781, 2816. [OE. hold.

Holden. See Halde.

Hole, n. dat. hole, socket (of the eye), 1813, 2439. [OE. hol.]

Holed, pp. healed, 2039 (see Hale, v.2 in N.E.D.). hālian.]

Holi, adj. holy, 36, 431, 1361, &c. [OE. hālig.]

Holpen. See Helpen.

Hom, n. and adv. home, 557, 778; at hom(e), 789, 822. [OE. hām.

Hond. See Hand, Hend.

Honge. See Hangen.

Hope, n. hope, expectation, 307. OE. hopa.

Hor, n. hair, 235. [ON. \$ar.] See Her.

Horn, n. horn, 700; simenels with he horn, 779, probably refers to the shape of the simnel. Halliwell says a simnel is 'generally made in a three-cornered form'. See N.E.D. [OE. horn.]

Hors, n. horse, 94, 126, 370, 2283; Hors, pl. 701, 1222. [OE hors.]

Horse-knaue, n. horseboy, groom, 1019. [OE. hors + cnafa.]
Hosed, pp. supplied with hose, 971. [To next.]

Hosen, n. pl. hose, clothing for the leg, 860, 969. [OE. hosa.]

Hoslen, v. to administer or to receive the sacrament, 212, 362; Hos(e)led, pp. 364, 2598. [OE. hūslian.]

Hoten, pp. called, named, 106,

284. [OE. hātan.]

[Houes (MS.), 582, see \*Bihoues. Shortened forms are quoted in N.E.D. from the fifteenth century.] Hu, Hou (MS. also Hwou), adv. how, 120, 288, 827, 960, 1646, 2411, 2946, 2987, &c. [OE. hū.] Hul, n. hollow, 2687; see Note.

Hund, n. hound, 1994, 2331,

2435. [OE. hund.]

Hundred, adj. hundred, 1633.

[OE. hundred.]

Hunger, n. hunger, famine, 416, 635, 652, 841, 2454 (MS. Hungred), &c. [OE. hunger.]

Hungre(n), v. impers. with dat.; us hungreth = we are hungry, 455, 464; him hungrede, he was hungry. [To prec.]

Hus, n. house, 740, 1141, 2913. [OE. hūs.] See Milne hous.

Hwan, adv. when, since, 408, 474,1962,2808, &c. [OE. hwanne.] See Ouan(ne).

Hware, adv. where, 1881, 2240, 2579. The predominance of a spellings points to a short vowel. [ON. hvar or OE. hwāra (?).]
See Hwere, Hwore-so.

Hwar-of, adv. wherefrom, 2976.

[Prec. + of.]

Hwat, pron. what, 117, 541, 596, 1137, &c.; why, 2547; hwat is

yu, 453; hwat is he, 1951, 2704, what is wrong with you; hwat for, what with, 635. [OE. hwæt.] Hwat, adv. what! 2547. [To prec.]

Hwere, adv. where, 1083. [OE. hwer.] See Hware.

Hwere, adv. whether (?), wherever (?), 549. See Note.

Hweper, adv. whether, 2098; introduces a question, 292, 294. [OE. hwæper.]

Hwi, Qui, adv. why, 454, 1650,

&c. [OE. hwi.]

Hwider, adv. whither, 1139. [OE. hwider.]

Hwile, conj. while, whilst, 6, 301, 363, 538, 2437. [See next.]

Hwile, n. dat. time, little time, 722, 1830. [OE. hwīl.]

Hwilkgat (MS. Hwilgat), adv. how, which way, 836. [OE. hwile + ON. gata.] See Gate, pusgate. Hwit, adj. white, 48, 1144, 1729. [OE. hwil.]

Hwo, pron. interrog. 172, 1952,

&c. [OE. hwa.]

Hwo, pron. indef. whosoever, 296, 300, 2604, &c. [OE. hwā.] [Hwor (MS.), adv. whether (introducing a question), 1119. [ON. hvárr (1).] See Hwere.]

Hwore-so, pron. wheresoever,

1349. See Hware and So.

Hwo-so, pron. whosoever, 4, 76, 83, &c.; Hwom so, acc. 197. See Hwo and So.

Hyl. See Hil. Hyso. See His(e).

Ich, I, Y, pron. I, 21, 167, 305, 487, 686, 1377, &c. Enclitic in Biddi = Bidde i, 484; Haui = Haue i, 2002. Me, acc. and dat. 1, 14, 295, &c.; Mi, Min(e), poss. adj. 528, 578; used absolutely, 295, 2083, &c. [OE. ic, mē, mīn.]

I-gret. See Grette.

I-groten. See Graten.

Ilk, Ilc, adj. each, every, 1442, 1740; Ilke, 821; (MS. Il del, every part, 818, 2112, 2483, 2514;) illoher, each other, 1056, cf. 1921; en ilke wise, in every way, 1861, 2959. [OE. ylc.] See Ilkan, Ilker, Euer(e)-ilk.

Ilkan, Ilkon, pron. each one, 1770, 1842, 2108, 2357. [OE. ylc ān.]

Ilke, adj. in pat ilke, the same, the very, 1215, 2674, 2679, &c. [OE. ilca.]

Ilker = Ilk here, each of them,

2352. [OE. ylc heora.]

Ille, adv.; hire likede ille, it displeased her greatly, 1165; ille maked, ill-treated, handled roughly, 1952; gouen hem ille, l. 164, see Note. [ON. ill-r, adj.; illa, adv.] Cf. Yuele.

I-maked. See Maken.

In, prep. in, on, 8, 424, &c. [OE. in.]

Inch, n. inch, 1034. [OE. ynce.] Inne, adv. in, 594, 762, 807. [OE. innan.] See Perinne.

Inow, Ynow, adv. enough, 563, 706,904,911,931,1795; Y-nowe, pl. 2682. [OE. genöge, oblique form of genöh.]

Intil, prep. unto, into, 128, 251, &c. [OE. in+ON. til.]
In-to, prep. into, to, unto, 203, 265, 535, 2872, &c. [OE. in-tō.]
Ioie, loye, n. joy, 662, 1107, 1209, 1237, 1278, 1315, &c.
[O.Fr. joie.] See Ioyinge.

Ioupe, n. a loose jacket, 1767.

[O.Fr. jupe.]

Ioying(e) (MS. Ioyinge, 2087), m. dat. rejoicing, 2949. [O.Fr. joie + -ing.]

Is, Ys, 3 sg. pres. indic. is, 5, &c.; hwat is you? what ails you? 453. [OE. is]. See Nis, Am, Ben.

It, pron. it, 4, &c.; as anticipated subject it was, &c. = there was, 27, &c.; nis hit, is there not?

462; MS. It = he, 2264; for It, l. 664, see Note. [OE. hit.] Cf. Et. Iuel, adj. poor, bad; fuel(e) obone, ill-equipped, in poor condition, 2505, \*2525, see Note to l. 2505. [OE. yfel, adj.]

Iuel, Yuel, n. evil, sickness, 114, 144, 155, 2221; with iuel(e) = with evil intent, 50, 994, 1689. [OE. yfel, n.]

Iuele, Yuele, adv. evilly, sorely, 2755; iuele like + dative of person = displease, 132; cf. ille like. [OE. yfele.]

Iustise, n. a justice, 263, 1628,

2202. [O.Fr. justise.]

Kables, n. pl. cables, thick ropes, 710. [O.Fr. cable.]

Kalde. See Callen. Kam. See Komen.

Kandel, n. candle, 585. [OE.

candel.]

Kaske, adj. pl. vigorous, active, 1841. [ON. karsk-r, kask-r.] [Kayn (MS.), for payn, 31,

1327; see Introd., p. xxxix.] Kaysere. See Cayser(e).

Keft. See Coupe. Keling, n. cod, 757.

Keme. See Komen.

Kempe, n. champion, 1036. [OE. cempa, ON. kempa.]

Kene, adj. brave, eager, 1832, 2115. [OE. cēne.]

Kepte, pa. t. sg. watched, kept watch for, 879. [OE. cepan.]

Kesten, Casten, v. to cast, fling, 81, 519, 1784, 2101, 2611; Cast(e), pa. t. sg. 556, 567, 813; Keste, pa. t. pl. 2449. [ON. kasta; for the e forms before st cf. Morsbach,

ME. Gram. § 87, n. 2.] Keuel, n. a gag, 547, 637. [ON.

kefli.] Keyes, n. pl. keys, 1303. [OE.

cæg.]
Kichin, n. kitchen, 936. [OE. cycene.]

Kid, pp. made known, 1060.

[OE. cȳpan, pp. cȳdde.]

Kin, Kyn, n. kindred, relatives, stock, 414, 2045; Kin, dat. (?), 393, see Note. [OE. cynn.]

Kindlen, v. to kindle, 015. [To

ON. kynda.

Kineriche (MS. Kinneriche), kingdom, 976. [OE. cynerice.] See Cuneriche.

King, n. king, 27, &c. [OE.

cyn(in)g.]

Kinnes, Kines, gen. sg. in none kin(n)es, of no kind, 861, 1140; neuere kines, 2691, with the same meaning, is a nonce usage. [OE. nānes cynnes.] See Kin.

Kippe, v. to seize, snatch, 894; Kipt(e), pa. t. sg. 1050, 2638; kipt ut, pulled out, 2407. [ON.

kippa.

Kirke, n. the church, a churchbuilding, 36, 1132, 1355, 2583. [ON. kirkja.]

Kiste, n. dat. chest, coffer, 2018. [ON. kista.] See Chiste.

Kiste, pa. t. sg. kissed, 1279; Kisten, pa. t. pl. 2162. [OE. cyssan.

Kitte (MS. Citte), pa. t. sg. cut,

942. [OE. \*cyttan (1).]

Knaue, n. boy, lad, hoy-servant, 308, 409, 450, 458, 949, 1087, 1123, 1146, &c. [OE. cnafa.] See Horse-knane.

Knawe, v. to know, recognize, find out, 2207, 2785; Kneu, pa. t. sg. 2468; Knewen, pa. t. pl. 2149; Knawed, pp. wk. 2057. [OE. (ge)cnāwan.]

Knele, v. to kneel, 1320; Knelede, pa. t. sg. 482. [OE. cnēow-

Knes, n. pl. knees, 451, 1902. OE. cneo.

Knif, n. a knife, 479, 498, 2484, 2493, &c.; Kniue, dat. sg. 2503; Kniues, pl. 1769. [ON. knif-r.] Kniht, n. knight, 32, 77, 239, 343, 345, 1068, 2706, &c. [OE. cniht.

Komen, Comen, v. to come, arrive, 18, 325, 1001, &c.; Cometh, Comes, imper. pl. 1798, 1885, 2247; Kam, Cam, Kom, pa. t. sg. 451, 766, 863, 1309, 2622, &c.; Komen, Comen, pa. t. pl. 1012, 1202, 2790; Keme, 1208, see Note; Comen, Cumen, pp. 116, 1436, 1714, 2580, &c.; comen up, 2540, landed. [OE. cuman.]

Kope, Cope, n. cope, cloak, 429, 1957. [OE. \*cāpe (?), late L. cāpa.] Kor(e)n, n. corn, 462, 780, 1879, &c.; korn of bred, bread-corn, corn for bread, 825. [OE. corn.] Kradel-barnes, n. pl. children in the cradel, 1912. [OE. cradol + bearn or ON. barn.] See Bern.

Krake(n), Crake, v. to crack, break, 914, 1857, 1908; Crakede, pa. t. sg. 568; Kraked, pp. 1238. [OE. cracian.]

Kranes, n. pl. cranes, 1726. [OE.

cran.

Krike, s. creek, a narrow arm of the sea, 708. [See N.E.D.] Kuneriche, Kunerike. See Cuneriche.

Kunne. See Can.

Kunrik, n. 2143, in form is equivalent to Norse kynrik-r, but is perhaps an error for Kunmerk; see Note.

Kynemerk, n. a birth-mark indicating royal rank, 604. [OE. cyne+mearc. ] See Kunrik.

Lac, n. fault, failing, in withuten lac, 191, 2219. [Cf. OLG. lak.] Ladde, n. a serving-man, 1786, 2493, &c.; Laddes, pl. 1015, 1024, &c.; Ladden, pl. 1038. In the French versions valet is used in the same senses. N.E.D.

Lame, adj. lame, 1938. [OE.

lama, wk. adj.]

Lamed, pp. maimed, crippled, 2755. [To prec.]

Large, adj. generous, liberal, 97,

2941. [O.Fr. large.]

Laste, v. to last, suffice, endure, 538, 2437, 2605. [OE. læstan.] Late, adv. late, in to late, 691,

845; Laste, superl. 678; at be laste, finally, 637. [OE. læt.]

Late(n), v. to allow, permit, 486, 1741; Lat(e), imper. sg. 17, 1376, 1772, 2422; Laten, to cease to speak, 328; lat be, imper. sg. desist from, 1265, cf. 1657; Laten, pp. abated, 240; Laten, pp. allowed to remain, 1925; Late, infin. to set, in late rihte, 2611, seems nearer to Norse than English usage, but rihte may itself be infinitive, 'to straighten'. [ON. láta.] See Let.

Lath, n. injury, 76, 2718, 2976.

[OE. lat, n.] See Loth.

Lathe, n. hostility, enmity, 2718, 2976. Spelling, disyllabic form, and rime point to short a. [OE. læððu.

Lauhwe(n), v. to laugh, smile; Lauhwinde, pres. ptc. 946; Low, pa. t. sg. 903; Lowen, pa. t. pl.

1056. [OE. hlæhhan.]

Lauhte, pa. t. took (a name), suffered (insult), felt (pain), 744, 1673; Lauhte, pp. 1988. [OE.

Laumprei, -ey, -ee, n. lamprey, 771, 897, 1727. [O.Fr. \*laumpreie.

Law, n. law; Lawe, dat. 2815; Lawes, pl. 28. [ON. \*lagu.]

Lawe, Lowe, adj. low, in heye and lowe, 2431, 2471, 2767, &c.; Lowe, adv. 2079. ON. lág-r.

Lax, n. salmon, 754, 896, 1727.

[OE. lax.]

Leche, n. a physician, 1836, 2057. [OE. læce.] Led, n. cauldron, pot (originally

a pot made of lead); cf. Cant. Tales, Prologue, 202. [OE. lead.]

Lede(n), v. to lead, escort, carry, 245, 320, 2573, &c.; Ledde, pa. t. sg. 1686; Ledden, pa. t. pl. 2451; lede(n) ut here, to lead an army to war, 89, 346, 379; him ledde, lived, managed his affairs, 785. [OE. lædan.]

Lef, Leue (oblique), adj. and n. dear, 431, 909; especially in lef and loth = beloved and hated, friend and foe, 261, 440, 2273, 2313, 2379, 2775. Lef as a title used to superiors or leaders = sir, 2606; cf. Leue, 1885, which perhaps = dear (brother); Louere, compar. in him were levere, &c. = he would rather (lit. it was preferable to him), 1193, 1423, 1671, &c. [OE. leof.]

Leidest. See Leyn.

Leite, v. to seek, 2441, see Note. [ON. leita.]

Lem(m)an, n. dear one, beloved, used of both sexes, 1191, 1283, OE. leof-man. 1312, 1322.

Leme. See Lime.

Lende, v. to arrive, land, 733. [OE. lendan.]

Lene, v. to lend, give, 2072. [OE.

lænan.]

Lenge, n. ling, a kind of fish, 832. [Apparently connected with long, in which case the unpalatalized g tells against English origin.] Lenge, v. to prolong, 1734, 2363, [ON. lengja.]

Lengere, adv. longer, 809. [Cf. OE. lengra, comparative of lang, adj.] See Long.

Leoun, n. lion, 573, 1867, \*2690

(MS. Leuin). [O.Fr. liun.] Lepe, v. to run, rush, leap, 2009, see Note; Lop, pa. t. sg. 891, 1777, 1942; Lopen, pa. t. pl. 1896, 2616. [OE. hleapan.] See Loupe. Ler, n. cheek, 2918. [OE. hleor.]

Lere(n), v. to instruct, to learn, 797, 823, 2592. [OE. læran.] See Y-lere.

Lese, 3 sg. pres. subj. to free, release, 333. [OE. lesan.]

Lesse, adj. compar. less, 1013.

[OE. læssa.] See Litel.

Let, pa. t. sg. allowed, caused, 252, 876, 2062, 2651; desisted, 2447, 2500; Leten, pa. t. pl. [OE. letan.] See Late(n). Leteres, n. pl.; pise leteres, this inscription, 2481. [O.Fr. letre.]

Lette, v. to hinder, prevent, 1164, 2253, 2819. [OE. lettan.] Leue, n. leave, permission, 1626, 2952, &c.; tok leue at, took leave of, bid farewell to, 1387. [OE. leaf.

Loue. See Lef.

Leue, 3 sg. subj. grant, 334,

406, 2807. [OE. lefan.]

Leue, v. to believe ; Leues (on), 3 sg. pres. indic. believes (in), 1781, 2105. [OE. lefan.]

Leued, pp. left, 225. [OE.

læfan.] See Bileue. Leuedi, a. lady, mistress, 171,

293, 1120, &c.; Leuedyes, pl. 239. [OE. hlæfdīge.]

Leuere. See Lef.

[Leuin (MS.), n. lightning, 2690, but probably an error for Leun, lion.]

Lewe, adj. warm, 498, 2921.

[OE. hleowe.]

Leyd(e). See Leyn.

Leye, n. lie, falsehood, 2117. [OE. lyge.]

Leye, v. I sg. pres. indic. lie, speak falsely, 2010. [OE. lēgan.] Leyk, n. a game, 1021, 2326. [ON. leik-1.]

Leyke(n), Layke, v. to play, take part in sports, 469, 950, 997, 1011; Leykeden, pa. t. pl. 954. [ON. leika.] See Leyk, n.

Leyn, v. to lay, put; dede leyn in an ore = rowed, 718; Leyde, pa. t. sg. in leyde hond on, 50, 994, &c.; he speche leyde, became speechless, 229; Leidest, 2 sg. pa. t. 636; Leyden, pa. t. pl. in leyden on, laid on, beat upon, 1907; Leyd, pp. 408, 1689, 2839; spread (of a table), 1722. [OE. lecgan.] Lich, adj. like, 2155. [OE. līc.] Lif, n. life, 349, 2492, &c.; Liues, pl. 697, &c.; Liue, dat. sg. 281; o(n) line, alive, living, 281, &c.; brouht of line, brought out of life, dead, 513, 2129; do of liue, to kill, 1805; Liues, Lyues, gen. sg. as adv. alive, 509, 1003, 1307, 1919, 2854. [OE. līf.]

Lift, adj. left (side, &c.), 2130,

2635. [OE. lyft.]

Liften, v. to lift, 1028, 1030; Lifte, pa. t. sg. 1806. [ON.

lypta.

Ligge(n), v. to lie (down), to be (in prison, pain, &c.), 330, 802, 876, 882, 1374. [OE. liegan or rather ON. liggja.] See Lyen.

Liht, n. light, a light, 534, 576, 588, &c. [OE. leht, liht.] Liht, adj. light, bright, 593.

[OE. leht, liht.]

Liht, adv. lightly, nimbly, 1942. [OE. lehte.]

Liht, v. imper. sg. to light, cause to burn, 585. [OE. lihtan.]

Like, v. impers. with dat. please, 132; Likede, pa. t. 1165. [OE. lician.

Lime, Leme, n. limb, in leme or lif, 2555 (leme with vowel of plural OE. leomu); a deueles lime, 1409; of limes spille, castrate, 86. [OE.

lim. Line, n. line, cord, 539, 782. [OE. līne, O.Fr. ligne.]

Lite, adj. little, 1730, 1855, and MS. at 276. [OE. lyt.]

Litel, adj. little, 6, 481, 1858,

&c.; Litle, pl. 2014. [OE. lÿtel.] Lith, n. 1338, see Note.

Lith, n. people, in the phrase

(common elsewhere) lond and lith, 2515. [ON. lyo-r.]

Lipes, n. pl. the tips of the toes (or fingers), 2163. [OE. liv.]

Lipes, Lypes, imper. pl. listen, 1400, 2204, 2576. [ON. hlýða.] Littene, v. to diminish, 2701. [To OE. lyt.] See Lite.

Liue(n), v. to live, 199, 257, 355, &c.; Liueden, pa. t. pl. 1299, 2044; Liued, pp. 2872. [OE. libban.]

Liue(s), Lyues. See Lif. Lof, n. loaf, 653. [OE. hlaf.] Loke(n), v. to look, behold, see, look after, 376, 2136, 2726; Loke, imper. sg. 597, 1680, 1712; Lokes, imper. pl. 2240, 2292, 2300, 2579, 2812; Lokede, pa. t. sg. 679, 1041. [OE. locian.]

Loken(e), pp. fastened, closed; loken(e) cope(s), closed cape(s) or cloak(s), 429, 1957. [OE. lūcan.] Lond, n. land, country, 64 (see Note), 340, 696, 721, 736, &c. OE, land.

Long, adj. long, tall (of persons), 267, 988, 1063, 1648, &c. [OE.

lange.

Long(e), adv. long, for a long time, 172, 241, 842, &c. [OE. lange.

Long, adj. in on swink long, as the result of toil, 801. [OE. on gelang.

Longes, 3 sg. pres. indic. belongs, appertains, 396. [Cf. OE. gelang, adj.]

Lopen. See Lepe.

Loth, adj. hateful, hated, especially in lef and loth, 261, 440, & c. [OE. lat.] See Lath.

Loude, adv. loudly, 96, 2079. On loude, 228, see Note. [OE. hlude, adv.]

Loue, n. love, 1761, 2967, 2974,

&c. [OE. lufu.]

Louen, v. to love, 1347, &c.; Louede, pa. t. sg. 71, 349, &c.; Louede(n), pa. t. pl. 30, 955, &c. OE. lufian.

Louerd, Lowerd, n. lord, master, 96, 483, 621, &c., see Notes to 11. 64, 228. [OE. hlaford.]

Louerdinges, n. lords, rulers (with no sense of contempt), 515, 1401. [OE. hlāfording.]

Loupe, v. to run, rush, 1801. [ON. hlaupa.] See Lepe.

Low(en). See Lauhwe(n).

Lowe. See Lawe.

Lowe, n. hill, mountain, 1291, 1699. [OE. hlāw.]

Lurken, n. hide, live in concealment, sneak away (1), 68. lurka(?).

Luue-drurye, n. love-making, courtship, 195. [OE. lufu+O.Fr.

druerie.

Lyen, v. to lie (in bed, &c.), 673, 2134; Lay, pa. t. sg. 812; Leyen, pa. t. pl. 475, 2132. [OE. licgan.] See Ligge(n) and Leyn. Lype, n. respite, ease, alleviation, 147. [Cf. OE. live, adj.]

Mad. See Maken.

Maght. See May. Make, n. wife, 1150. [OE.

gemaca.

Make(n), Mak, v. to make, do, cause (with infinitive in passive sense as made bynde, 41), 29, 445, 1441, &c.; Make, imper. sg. 676; Makede, Made (MS. Maude, 436, 737), pa. t. sg. 38, 39, 41, &c.; Makeden, Made(n), pa. t. pl. 554, 1039, 1908, &c.; Maked, pp. 23, 365; I-maked, pp. 5; Mad, pp. 1953; ille maked = handled roughly, 1951. OE. macian.

Makerel, n. mackerel, 758.

[O.Fr. maquerel.]

Male, n. a bag, 48. [O.Fr. male.] Malisun, s. curse, malediction, 426. [O.Fr. maleisun.]

Man, n. man, 45; Men, pl. 1, 2, &c. [OE. mann.]

Mani(e), adj. many, 244, &c.; mani a (kniht), 1697, &c. [OE.

manig.]

Manred(e), n. homage, fealty, 484, 2172, 2180, 2248, 2265, 2312, 2774, 2816, 2847, 2850. [OE. manræden.]

Marz, #. March, 2559. [O.Fr.

marz.]

Mast, n. mast (of a ship), 709, 986. [OE. mæst.]

Maugre (pin), in spite of (thee), 1128, 1789. [O.Fr. maugre+OE.

gen. sg. bin.]

May, v. may, 26, &c.; Mowe, 175, 394, 675, &c.; Mowen, Moun, pl. 11, 460, 2587, &c.; Maght (MS. commonly Mait, Mayt, Mayth), pa. t. sg. 145, 356, 376, &c.; Mihte, pa. t. sg. 233, &c.; Mihte(n), pa. t. pl. 516, 1929, 2017, &c.; Mouhte, Mowhte, pa. t. sg. 210, &c.; Mouhte(n), pa. t. pl. 1183, 2019, 2039, 2328, 2330, &c. [OE. mæg, late subjunctive muge; pl. \*mugon; pret. mæhte, mihte, and later mutte.

Mayden, n. maiden, 33, 205, 467, 995, 2222, &c.; Maydne, dat. 83, 783; Maydnes, pl. 2,

&c. [OE. mægden.]

Mayster, n. sir, master, chief, 1135, 2028, 2385. [O.Fr. maistre.] [Mayt(h) (MS.), see May.]

Mede, n. reward, bribe, 102, 119, 685, 1635, 2402, 2901. [OE. mēd.]

Meiné, Meyné, household, company, 827, 834; added in 65 = subjects. [O.Fr. meyne.]

Meke, adj. meek, 945, 1066. [ON. mjúk-r earlier \*mtok-.]
Mele, n. meal, ground corn, 780.

[OE. melu.] Mele, v. to speak, 2059. [OE.

mēlan.]

Men, impers. subject. sg. (cf. Fr.

on), one, 390, 647, 2610, &c. [OE. man weakened under reduced stress.]

Mene, v. to mean, signify, 597,

2114. [OE. mænan.]

Morci, n. mercy, 96, 271, &c. [O.Fr. merci.]

Mere, n. mare, 2449, 2504; Mere, gen. sg. (OE. mēran), 2478.

More, gen. sg. (OE. mēran), 2478. [OE. mēre.]

Mosso, n. Mass, service of the Mass, 243, 1176. [OE. and O.Fr. messe.]

Messe-bok, n. mass-book, 186,

391, 2710. [Prec. + OE. bōc.]

Messe-gere, n. all things used in
the service of the Mass, 188, 389,
1078, 2217. [Messe + ON. gerwi.]

Mest(e). See Michel. Mester, n. trade, business, 823.

[O.Fr. mester.]

Met, pp. impers. in me haueth met, I have dreamed, 1285. [OE. matan.]

Mete, n. food, dish, provisions, 146, 317, 459, 649, 883, 2340, &c.

[OE. mete.]

Mette, pa. t. sg. met, 1810, 2624.

[OE. mētan.] Meyné. See Meiné.

Michel, Mikel (MS. Mik, 2342, Mike, 960, 1744, 1761, 2336), adj. much, great, big, tall, 510, 660, &c.; More, comp. 981, &c.; Mest(e), superl. 233, 945; Meste, pl. 983; Moste (with vowel of comparative), 423, 2321, &c.; on on he moste hil, 1287, see Note,

and cf. L. unus maximus. [OE. micel, māra, mēst (late OE. Nth. māst).]

Michel, Mikel, adv. much, 60.
122, &c. [To prec.] See Mo.
Middel & middle 2002. [OF

Middel, n. middle, 2092. [OE. middel.]

Middel-niht, n. midnight, 575. [OE. middel-niht.]

Middelerd, n. earth, world, 2244. [Cf. OE. middaneard.]

Miht, n. power, 35. [OE. miht.] Mihte(n). See May.

Mik(el). See Michel.

OE. Milce, n. mercy, 1361. miltse.

Mile, n. mile, 721, 1831, 2498. OE. mil.

Milk, n. milk, 643. [OE. milc.] Milne-hous, n. mill, 1967. [OE.

mylen + hūs.

Mine, n. a game played with dice, a kind of backgammon, 2326. In French romances, as here, coupled with hasard; see Godefroy, Dict. s.v. Mine. [O.Fr. mine.]

Mirácle, n. a wonder, miracle,

500. [O.Fr. miracle.]

Mirke, adj. wk. dark, 404. [ON. myrk-r.]

Misdo, v. to do wrong, injure, offend; Misdede, pa. t. sg. 337, 992, 1371; Misdo, pp. 2798. [OE. misdon.]

Misferde, pa. t. sg.; misferde with, did wrong to, harmed, attacked, 1869. [OE. misfēran.] See Ferde.

Misgos, 2 sg. pres. indic., act wickedly, 2707. [OE. mis+gan.] Misseyde, pa. t. sg. insulted, 49, \*993; Misseyd, pp. 1688. [OE. mis + secgan.

Mipe, Mythe, v. conceal, 652, 948, 1278. [OE. mīðan.]

Mixed, adj. filthy, 2533 (a nonce

usage). [To OE. mix.]

Mo, adj. comp. more (in number), 1742, 1846. [To next.]

Mo, adv. more; neuere mo, 511, beside neuere more, 488, 493, &c. [OE. mā, comp. adv.]

Mod, n. mood, spirit, 1703. [OE.

Moder, n. mother, 974, 1388, &c. [OE. modor.]

Mone, n. moon, 403, 1314, &c.; under mone, in the world, 373. [OE. mona.]

Mone, n. dat. opinion, in bi mine

mone, 816; cf. OHG. bī thia meina [OE. \*mān.]

Mone, I pl. pres. indic. must

840. [ON. munu.]

Mon(e)kes, n. pl. monks, 243, 360, 2584; monekes blake, 2521, would normally mean Benedictine monks; but see Note. [OE. munuc.] Mone-liht, n. moonlight, light

of the moon, 534. See Mone and

More. See Michel.

Morwen, n. morrow, next morning, 811, 1131, 2669, &c. [OE. morgen.] See To-morwen.

Moste. See Michel.

Mote, pres. subj. may, 19, 406, 1743, 2545; Moten, pl. 18. [OE. möt, pret. pres.]

Mouhte. See May. Moun. See May.

Moup(e), n. mouth, 113, 433, &c. [OE. mūb.]

Mowe. See May.

Mowe, v. to mow, 1852. [OE. mawan.

Naked, adj. naked, 6, 853, 1949, 1953. [OE. nacod.]

Nam. See Nime.

Name, n. name, 342, &c. On Name, 1397, 2529, see Note to 1307. [OE. nama.]

Named, pp. named, called, 1751.

[To prec.]

Namore, Na more, adv. no more, 2363, 2530. [OE. nā māre.] \*Nauen (MS. Name), n. name, 1397 (see Note), 2529. [ON. nafn.

Nayl, m. nail, spike; nail (of the hand or foot), 712, 857, 2163.

OE. nægl.]

Ne, neg. part. 49, &c.; not, 57, &c.; and not, 148, &c.; nor, 66; MS. Ne = neither  $\dots$  nor, 548. [OE. ne.]

Necke, n. neck, 1822, 1823, 2046. [OE. hnecca.]

Nede, n. need, necessity, 9, 25, 87, 1692, &c. [OE. nēd.]

Neme. See Nime.

Nor, adv. near, nearly, 990, 1949. [ON.nær, comp.; OE. ndar, comp.] Nose, n. nose, 2450; and see Note to 1917. Cf. Nose.

Nesh, Neysh, adj. soft, tender,

217, 2743. [OE. hnesce.]

Net, n. fishing-net, 752, 783. [OE. nett.]

Net, n. ox, 808, 1026, 1891; Net, pl. cattle, 700, 1222; Netes, gen. sg. 781. [OE. nēat.]

Nepeles, conj. nevertheless, 1108, 1658. [OE. ne pē læs.]

Neue, n. fist, 1917, 2405. [ON.

hnefi.]

Neu(e)re, adv. never, not, 80, 625, &c.; neuere a polk, not a single pool, 2685; neuere kines = none kines, of no kind, 2691. [OE. næfre.]

Newe, adj. new, 263, 2461. [OE.

neowe.] See Span-newe.

Newhen, v. to come near, 1866. [OE. nēhwian.]

Ney, adv. nigh, nearly, 464, 640.

[OE. neh.] See Ner. Neysh, See Nesh.

Neyper, neither of two, 2970; Neyper...ne = neither...nor, 458, 764, &c. [OE. ne+zgőer.] See Noyper, Noper and Ayper, \*Eyper.

Niht, n. night, 404, 533, 575, 1247, 1754, 2669, 2999, &c.; Nihtes, gen. sg. 2100; Nihtes, adv. gen. sg. by night, 2353. [OE.

niht.]
Nihtertale, n. dead of night,
2025; cf. Canterbury Tales, Prologue, l. 97. [Remodelling of ON.

nditar-pel where nditar is gen. sg.]
Nime, v. to take, to go, \*1336
(see Note), 1931, 2600; Nimes,
imper. pl. 2594; Nam, pa. t. sg.
900, 1947, 2930; Nomen, pa. t.
pl. took, 2790; Neme, pa. t. pl.

went, 1207 (see Note); Neme, pret. subj. sg. 2201; Nomen, Numen, pp. 2265, 2581. [OE. niman.]

Nis, v. is not, 462, 1998, 2244. [OE. nis=ne+is.]

Noble, adj. noble, 1263, 1943.

[O.Fr. noble.]

Noblelike, adv. nobly, 2640.
[Prec.+OE. -līce.]

Nok, n. corner, small part, in

a ferthinges nok, 820 (see Note). Noman, nobody, 223. [OE. nān

Noman, nobody, 223. [OE. nān mann.]

Nomen. See Nime.

No(n), adj. and pron. no, none, nobody, 518, 685, 864, 934, 974, 1019, &c.; he nan, none of them, 2200, is possibly for he[r] non, OE. heora nān; for none kines, see Kinnes. [OE. nān.]

Norp, adv. adj. and n. north, 434, 724, 734. [OE. norð.]

Nose, n. nose, 2823. [OE. nosa.]
See Nese.

Note, Noute, n. nut, 419, 1332. [OE. hnutu.]

Noper. See Noyber.

Nou, Nu, adv. now, 11, 328, 1362, 2421, 2460, 2650, &c. [OE. nū.]
[Nouht = ne ouht (†), ought

not (1), 801, see Note.]

Nouht, Nowht, n. and adv. nothing, naught, not at all, 249, 505, 566, 648, 770, 1733, 2051, 2168, 2737, 2822, &c. [OE. nāwiht, naht, noht.]

Noute. See Note.

Noyper, Noper, with following ne = neither . . . nor, 2623, 2697. [OE. nāhwæher, nāhwæher, &c.] See Neyber.

Numen. See Nime.

Nunnes, n. pl. nuns, 2584. [OE. nunne.]

Nyne, Nine, adj. nine, 871, 1010. [OE. nigen.]

Nytte, v. to use, 941. nyttian.

O. See On.

Of, prep. of, 14, 47, &c.; from, off, 92, 216, 857, 1850, 2599, &c.; from among, 71; concerning, on account of, 5, 23, 121, 123, 837, 849, 1664, &c.; don of = do concerning, do with, 130, 2423. [OE. of.] See Of, Of-, Offe.

Of, adv. off, 603, 2626, &c. OE. of.]

Offe (MS.), prep. extended form of Of, 435; cf. Onne. See Peroffe, Her-of.

OE. Of-fleye, v. fly off, 2751.

of + flegan.] See Fleye.

Offrende, n. offering, 1386.

[O.Fr. offrende.]

Of-plette, v. strike off, cut off, 2444; Of-plat, pa. t. sg. 2755; cf. of ... plette, 2626. See Platte(n). Of-slawen, pp. struck off, 2676. See Slo.

Of-spring, n. offspring, 2565.

[OE. ofspring.]

Oft(e), adv. often, 214, 226, 227,

884, &c. [OE. oft.]

Ok, adv. and conj. also, 187, 200, 879, 1081, &c. [ON. auk.] Old, adj. old, 192, 259, 417; Olde = former, 2460; Olde, pl. 30, 956, &c. [OE. áld.] Eldeste.

Oliue. See Lif.

On, adj. one, 425, 761, 1800, 2028, 2263, &c. [OE. ān.] See A, One.

On, O, prep. on, in; o bok, on the book, 2307, 2311; o londe, on (or in) land, 763; o knes, on (his) knees, 2252, 2796; dones on, put them on, 970; oniht, in the night, 1251; on nihtes, at night, 2048; o worde, in the world, 1349; on lesse hwile, in less time, 1830; o mani wise, in various wise, 1713; on two, on to, in two, 471, 1823, 2730; on brenne, to a blaze, 1239; on hunting, a-hunting, 2382. wel o bone, &c., 2355, 2505, &c., it seems to be substituted for ON. of. [OE. on.] See Onne.

One, adj. alone, 1153, 1710, 1742, 1973, 2433; (al) him one, (all) by himself, alone, 815, 936. [OE. ana.] See On, adj.

Ones, adv. gen. sg. once; al at ones = all at once, 1295. [OE. anes. See On, adj.

Onlepi. See Anlepi.

[Onne (MS.), prep. on, in, extended adverbial form of On, prep., placed after the word governed, 347, 2105. See next.]

Onne, adv. on, 1675, 1689, 1940, extended adverbial form of On,

prep.

Onon, On-on. See Anon. Open, adj. open, 1782, 1796.

[OE. open.]

Or, adv. before, 728, 1043, 1044, &c.; or ouht longe, before long, 1789; conj. 417, 1356, 1688, &c. [ON. dr.] See Ere, and Are dawes. Ore, n. mercy, grace, 153, 211,

2443, 2797. [OE. ār.] Ore, n. oar, 711, 718, 1871. [OE.

ār.

Oth, oath, 260, 313, 2009 (see Note), 2013, 2231, 2272. For hold opes, 2781, &c., see Hold. For Oth, 2526, see Note. [OE. ab.] Oth, n. promise, 2526, see Note.

[OE. hāt.]

Oper(e) (MS. often ope, which is to be expanded ope(r) rather than opere), adj. other, 518, 861, 1784, 1986, 2413, 2416, 2970, &c.; non ober, not otherwise, 2490; second, next, 879, 1690, 1755, &c. [OE. oper.] See Toper. Oper, conj. either, or, 94, 787,

&c. On Oper, 2970, see Note. [OE. ōhwæher, āhwæher, awher.]

See Ayber, Noyber.

Ouer, prep. over, above, beyond, 293, 1053, &c. [OE. ofer.] Oueral, adv. everywhere, 38, 54.

OE. ofer all.

Ouerfare, v. to cross, pass over, pass away, 1378, 2063. [OE.

oferfaran.

Ouer-ga, Ouer-go, in let ouer-ga (oth), neglected, disregarded, 314, 2220. [OE. ofergan.]

Ouergange, v. to conquer, 2587.

[OE. ofergangan.]

Ouertake, v. overtake, come up with, 1856, 2695; Ouertok, pa. t. sg. 1816. [OE. ofer + ON. taka.]

Ouer-pwert, adv. crosswise, 2822. [OE. ofer + ON. bver-t.]

Ouht, n. any space (of time), anything, 1189, 1789; bat ouht douhte = that was worth anything, 703. [OE. ōwiht, āwiht.] Nouht, Wiht, n.

Oune, adj. wk. and pl. own,

375, 2428. [OE. agen.]

Oure, n. dat. shore, 321; cf. 'to pan castle of Deoure on pere sæ oure', Lazamon, l. 3117. [OE. ofer.

Page, n. page-boy, 1730. [O.Fr.

page.

Palfrey, n, saddle-horse (as distinct from a charger), 2060. [O.Fr. palefrei.]

Panier, n. basket, 760, 805, 813.

[O.Fr. panier.]

Pappes, n. pl. breasts, in bi be pappes = down to the breasts, 2132. [Norse dialects pappe.]

Parlement, n. parliament, 1006,

1179. [O.Fr. parlement.]

Parred, pp. confined, fastened in, barred in, 2439. [OE. \*pearrian (?).]

Parted, pp. parted, 2962. [O.Fr.

parter.

Passe, v. pass, cross, [O.Fr. passer.]

Pastees, n. pl. pasties, 644. O.Fr. pastee.

Paternoster, n. the Lord's Prayer, so called from the first words of the Latin, 2997.

Pateyn, n. paten, the plate used in the service of the Mass, 187. [O.Fr. \*pateine.]

Pape, n. dat. path, road, 2381, 2390; Papes, pl. 268. [OE. pæb.] Patriark[e], n. dat. patriarch, 428. [O.Fr. patriarche.]

Payed, pp. satisfied, content, 184.

[O.Fr. paier.]

Pelle, v. go, hurry forth, hasten, 810.

Peni, n. penny, coin, 2147; Penies, pl. 776, 1172; to be peni drou, turned into money, 705. [OE. penig.]

Per, n. peer, equal, 989, 2241,

2792. [O.Fr. per.]

Pike, v. to stop (the seams of a ship) with pitch, 707. [OE. pician.]

Pine, n. torment, pain, 405, 540,

1374. [OE. pin.]

Pine, v. to torment, cause pain, 1958. [OE. pīnian.]

Piping, n. playing on the pipe, 2325. [To OE. pipe.] Place, n. place, 743. [O.Fr.

place.

Platte(n), v. to strike, to hasten; Plattinde, pres. ptc. 2282; Plette, pa. t. sg. 2626; Plette, pa. t. pl. 2613. [OE. plættan.] See Ofplette.

Plawe, v. to play, 950. (Nth.) plagian.] See Pleye.

Playces, n. pl. plaice, 896. [O.Fr. plais(e).]

Pleinte, Pleynte, n. complaint, 134, 2961. [O.Fr. plainte.]

Plenté, n. plenty, 1173, 1242, 1729. [O.Fr. plente.]

Plette. See Platte(n).

Pleye, v. to play, 951. [OE. pleg(i)an.] See Plawe.

Pliht, n. harm, damage, 1370,

2002. [OE. pliht.]

Plow, n. dat. plough, 1017. [OE. \*plog- (oblique), cf. ON. plog-r.] Poke, n. a bag, 555, 769, 780.

Poles, n. pl. pools, ponds, 2101. [OE. pol.]

Polk, n. pool, puddle, 2685.

[Diminutive of pol.]

Pope, n. pope, 428. [OE. pāpa.] Pou(e)re (u=v), adj. poor, 58, 101, 2457, &c. [O.Fr. poure.] Pourelike, adv. wretchedly, poorly, 323. [Prec. + OE. lice.]

Prangled, pp. pressed, 639. [Cf. ME. prangen, to pinch.]

Preie, Preye, v. to pray, ask, 169, 1440; Prey, imper. sg. 1343; Preide, Prey(e)de, pa. t. sg. 209, 211; Preyden, pa. t. pl. 153.

[O.Fr. preier.]

Prest, n. priest, 33, 243, 429, 1029, 1829, 2583. [OE. prēost.] Preyse, v. to praise, 60. [O.Fr. preiser.

Pride, n. pride, 2946. [OE.

pryde.

Priken, v. to spur a horse, ride briskly, 2639. [OE. prician.]

Priorie, n. priory, 2522, 2581.

[O.Fr. priorie.]

Pris, n. worth, 283. [O.Fr. pris.] Prud, adj. proud, 302. [O.Fr. prud.

Pund, n. pound (of money), 2615; Pund, pl. 1633. [OE. pund.

Put, n. cast, throw, 1055. [See next.]

Putten, v. to put, throw, to thrust (with a weapon), 1033, 1044, 1051; Putte, pa. t. sg. 1052; Putten (MS. Pulten, 1023), 1031, 1844. [OE. \*pūtian.]

Putting, Puttingge, n. putting the stone, 1042, 1057, 2324. [To

prec.

Pyment, n. spiced wine, 1728.

[O.Fr. piment.]

Quaked, pa. t. sg. trembled, quaked, 135. [OE. cwacian.] Qual, n. whale, 753. [OE. hwæl.

Quan(ne), adv. 134, 204, 240, &c. [OE. hwanne.] See Hwan(ne).

Quath, Quod (MS. Hwat, 1650, &c.; Wat, 595; Quodh, 1800; Quot, 1954; Couth (with absorption of w), 606), pa. t. sg. quoth, said, 606, 642, 1878, 1888, &c. On l. 1674 see Note. [OE. cweban.] Queme, adj. pleasing, agreeable,

130, 393. [OE. (ge)cwēme.] Quen(e), n. queen, 183, 293.

[OE. cwen.] Qui. See Hwi.

Quio, Quik, adj. alive, 612, 613, 2476, &c.; he day hat he was quik and ded, the day he died, 1405 (see Note), 2210; Quike, pl. 1348, ready, active. Adv. in al quic wede, gallop furiously, excitedly. 2641. [OE. cwic.]

Quiste, n. will, bequest, 218. 365. [OE. \*cwiss, to cwedan.]

Quod. See Quath.

Radde. See Rede.

Ran. See Renne.

Rank (MS. Rang), adj. proud, presumptuous, 2561. [OE. ranc.] Rath, n. counsel, advice, help, 75; me to rape, lit. for a plan to me, 2542. See Note to 11. 360-1 for Rap replaced by Red. [ON. ráo.] See Red.

Rathe, Rothe, v. to advise, 1335. 2817; for its replacement by Rede(n) see Note to 11. 360-1. [ON.

ráða.]

Rape, Rathe, adv. quickly, readily, 358, 2380, 2391, &c. OE. hrabe.]

Recke, v. to care, in dapeit hwo recke = a curse on him who cares, 2047, 2511. [OE. rec(c)an.]

Red, adj. red, red-haired, 1262, 1686; Rede, wk. 1397. [OE. rēad.]

Red, n. advice, counsel, plan,

remedy, help, 148, 180, 518, 826, 1194, 1204, 1833, 2871; me to rede, lit. for a plan to me. See Note to ll. 360-1. [OE. rēd.]

Bede(n), v. to advise, direct, 104, 361 (see Note), 687; Reden, to read, 244; Badde, pa. t. sg. advised, 1353; cf. Note to 360-1. [OE. rēdan; but the pret. forms prove Anglian se beside ē; cf. Advad.]

Reft(e). See Reue.

Regne, v. to continue a course of action, hold sway, 2586. [O.Fr.

regner.

Renne, v. to run, 1161, 1831, 1904; Ran, pa. t. sg. 216; ran on blode, ran with blood, bled, 432. [ON. renna.]

Rost, n. rest, sleep, 145, 943. [OE. rest.]

Roue, n. magistrate, justice,

1627. [OE. gereja.] Reue(n), v. to take away, deprive, rob.,480, 2590, 2991; Refte, pa. t. 82. 94, 2223, 2394, 2485; Reft, pp. 1367, 1672, 2004, 2483.

[OE. reafian.]
Reueres, n. pl. robbers, 2104.

[OE. reafere.]

Rewe, v. to have pity, 967; impers. in bigan him forto rewe, he was touched with pity, 497; Rewede, pa. t. impers. 503. [OE. hrēowan.]

Rewnesse, Reunesse, n. pity, 502, 2227. [OE. hrēownes(se).]

Ribbes, n. pl. ribs, 1900. [OE.

1200.

Riche, adj. rich, wealthy, sumptuous, 138, 237, 1762, 2940, &c. [O.Fr. riche.]

Richelike, adv. richly, 421.

[Prec. + OE. lice.]

Riden, v. to ride, 10, 26, &c. [OE. rīdan.]

Rig, n. back, 1775. hrygg-r.]

Riht, n. right, justice, due, 36, 71, 395, 1099, 1383, 2717; to riht, properly, 109. [OE. riht.]

Biht(e), adj. (1) right (side, &c.), 604, 1812, 2140, &c.; Rihte, wk. 2545, 2725; (2) just, rightful, direct, 772, 846, 1201, 2235, 2473, &c. [OE. riht.]

Riht(θ), adv. rightly, right, exactly, just, straight (1), 420, 872, 1701, 2494, 2596, 2611, &c.

\*Rihtwise, adj. pl. righteous,

37. [OE. rihtwis.]

Rike, n. kingdom, 290. [OE. rīce, ON. rīki.] See Cuneriche, Heuene-riche.

Rime, Rym, n. a poem, tale in verse, 21, 23, 2995, 2998. [O.Fr.

rime.]

Ring, n. ring, finger-ring, ring in a coat of mail, 1632, 1637, 2740.

OE. hring.

Ringen, v. to ring (a bell), 242, 1106; Ringes, 3 sg. pres. indic. 390; Rungen, pp. 1132. [OE. hringan, wk. pret. hringde.]

Rippe, n. dat. basket, 893. [ON.

hrip.]

Rise(n), v. to rise, 2203; \*Ris, imper. sg. 597; Ros, pa. t. sg. 1955. [OE. rīsan.]

Ritte, v. to cut, slash, 2495.

[Cf. OHG. rizzen.]

Robben, v. to rob, 1958. [O.Fr.

\*Robberes (Skeat's emendation),

39, see Wrobberes.

Rode, n. dat. the Cross, 103, 135, 431, 1357, &c. [OE. rōd.]

Bof, n. roof, 2082. [OE. hrōf.]

Romans-reding, n. romance-reading, 2327. [O.Fr. romanz+OE. reding.] See Reden.

Rome, n. Rome; to Rome, as far as Rome, between here and

Rome, 64, see Note.

Rop, n. rope, 783, 2507. [OE. rāp.]

Rore, v. to roar, 2497, 2499; Rorede, pa. t. sg. 2438. [OE. rārian.]

Rose, n. rose, 2919. [O.Fr. rose ]

Roser, n. rose-bush, 2919. [O.Fr. rosier, \*roser.]

Rothe. See Rathe.

Rowte, v. to roar, 1911. [ON. rauta.]

Runoi, n. a nag, saddle-horse, 2569; cf. Canterbury Tales, Prologue, 390. [O.Fr. runci.]

Rungen. See Ringen. Rym. See Rime.

Salte, adj. weak, salt, 1305. [OE. salt.]

Salue, n. salve, healing ointment,

1835. [O.Fr. salve.]

Samen, adv. together, 467, 979, 1717. [OE. \*samen.]

Samened, pp. united, 2890. [OE. samnian.]

Sare. See Sore.

Saue, adj. safe, \*560, 2226.

[O.Fr. \*save (!).]

Sautores, n. pl. psalters, a term applied not only to the whole psalter, but to smaller groups of psalms such as the Penitential Psalms, 244. [O.Fr. sautere.]

Sawe(n). See Se(n), v. Say. See Seyen, Se(n), v.

Sayse, v. to take possession of (land), to give possession (in land), invest (always in a legal sense), 251, 2518; Seysed, pa. t. sg. 2931; Seysed, pp. 2513. [O.Fr.

saisir, seisir.]

Scabbed,\*Skabbed, adj. scabby, 2449, 2505. [To O.Danish skab.] Scape, n. injury, harm, 269, 1352. [ON. skabi.]

352. [ON. skabi.] Schal. See Shal.

Scho. See She. Scho.

S(c)hoten, Schuten. See Shoten.

Schrifte, n. shrift, 1829. [OE. scrift.] See Shriue(n).

Schulle, n. plaice, 759. [OLG. schulle.]

Se, n. sea, 535, 719, 784, &c.; Seis, gen. sg. 321. [OE. sæ.]

Se(n), v. to see, 168, 534, 1021, 1217, 1273, &c.; Say, pa. t. sg. 881; Saw, Sau, pa. t. sg. 476, 2410; Sawe, Sowe, pa. t. subj. 1323; Sawen, Sowen, pa. t. pl. 957, 1055, 2255. The origin of the Sawe(n), Sowen forms is not clear. [OE. sēon.]

Seokes, n. pl. sacks, 2019. [ON.

sekk-r.

Segges, n. pl. cuttle-fish (1), 896. [O.Fr. seche (1).]

Sei. See Seyen.

Seint, n. saint, 177, &c. [O.Fr. seint.]

Seis. See Se, n.

Seken, v. to seek; MS. Seken, 1629; Souhte, pa. t. 1085. [OE. sēcan.]

Sele, n. seal, 755. [OE. selh,

sēl-.]

Self, adj. in you-self, 2425, 2595; me self, 123; miself, 1931; God self, 245; God him-selue, 432. [OE. self.]

Seli, adj. innocent, 477, 499.

[OE. (ge)sælig.]

Selkouth, Selc(o)uth, n. wonder, 124, 1059, 2119. [To next.] Selkuth, adj. wondrous, strange, 1284. [OE. sel(d)cüb.]

Selle(n), v. to sell, 53, 763, &c.; Solde, pa. t. sg. 699, 703, 817; Sold, pp. 775, 1638. [OE.

sellan.]

Selthe, n. happiness, prosperity, 1338. [OE. sælő.]

Sembling, verbal n. assembling, gathering, 1018. [To O.Fr. sembler.]

Sende, pa. t. sg. 136, 358, &c.; Sent, pp. 1180. [OE. sendan.] Sene, adj. evident, 656. [OE.

(ge)sene.]

Serga(u)nz, Seriaunz, n. pl. attendants, retainers, 1929, 2066, 2088, 2091, 2166, 2361, 2371. [O.Fr. sergant, serjaunt.] See Grith-sergeans.

Serges. See Cerges.

Serk, n. shirt, 603. [ON. serk-r.] Seruen, v. to serve, deserve, 1230, 2522; Seruede, pa. t. pl. 1914. [O.Fr. servir.]

Set(en). See Site.

Sette, v. to set, place, appoint, allot; to set (of the sun), 266, 2612, 2671; Sette, pa. t. sg. 2571; on knes him sette, kneeled, 451; Setten, pa. t. pl. 1211; Set, pp. 907; neues under her nes[es] set, 1917, see Note, and cf. sette a dint, gave a blow, 2406. [OE. settan.]

Seuene, adj. seven, 2125. [OE.

seofon.

Seuentenbe, adj. seventeenth,

2559. [OE. seofonteoba.]

Seyen, Sei, v. to say, speak, 647, 2008, 2886, &c.; \*Say we (MS. Sawe), 338; Seyde, pa. t. sg. 117, 159, &c.; Seyde(n), pa. t. pl. 376, 382, 456, 1213; Seyd, Seid, pp. 1281, 1786, 2993, &c. [OE. seegan.] See Misseyde. Seyl, Sayl, n. sail, 711, 854,

858, 2507. [OE. segl.]

Seysed. See Saysed.

Shal, Schal (MS. Sal, 628), v. shall, 21, 1151, &c.; Shaltu, -tou, -tow, 2 sg. with affixed pronoun, pu, pou, 1322, 1800, 2180, 2186, 2882, 2901; Shol, 1 sg. subj. 1782; Shole(n), pl. 562, 621, 645, 1127, 1230, 1640, 1788, &c.; Shul we, pl. 328; Shule ye, pl. 2419; Shulen, pl. 731, 747, &c.; Shulde, pa. t. sg. 245, \*1079, &c.; Sholde, pa. t. sg. 190, 297, 2712; Shulden, pa. t. pl. 941; Sholden, pa. t. pl. 1020. [O.E. sceal (pret. pres.); sculon,

sceolon pl.; sceolde, sculde pret. sg.] Shalt(o)u. See Shal.

Sham(e) (MS. Same, 1956), n. shame, 56, 83, 799, 2424, 2461, &c. [OE. scamu.]

Shamed, pp. shamed, 2754.

[OE. scamian.]

Shamelike, adv. shamefully, disgracefully, 2462, 2825, 2827. [OE. scamlice.]

Shankes, n. pl. legs, shanks,

1903. [OE. scanca.]

Shape(n), v. to shape, create; Shop, pa. t. sg. 1101; S(c)haped, pp. 424, 1647. [OE. sceppan, pp. scapen.

Shar, pa. t. sg. cut, 1413.

sceran.

Sharpe, adj. pl. sharp, 2322,

2645. [OE. scearp.]

Shawe, Shauwe, Showe, v. to show, declare, \*1401, 2206; to see, 2784. See Shewe, with which there is much confusion in rimes. [OE. sceawian.]

She, Sche, pron. nom. sg. fem. she, 174, 175, 1721, &c. [See

N.E.D.] See Sho.

Sheld, n. shield, 489, 624, 1653,

&c. [OE. sceld.]

Shende, v. to shame, injure, destroy, 1422; Shente, pa. t. sg. 2749; Shend, pp. 2845. [OE. scendan.

Shep, n. pl. sheep, 700; Shepes,

gen. sg. 781. [OE. scēp.]

Sheres, n. shears, 857. [OE.

scera. Shewe, Sheue, v. to see, examine, 1853, see Note; MS. Sheue, 1401; Shewed, pp. 2056 (see

[OE. sceawian.] See Note). Shawe.

Shides, n. pl. pieces of wood split thin, 917. [OE. scid.]

Shilde, 3 sg. pres. subj. shield, protect, 16. [OE. scildan.] Shine, v. to shine, 404; Shon,

pa. t. sg. 2144. [OE. scinan.]

Ship, n. ship, 706, 735. [OE. scip.

Shir, adj. bright, 588, 916, 1253,

&c. [OE. scīr.]

Shireue, Schireue, n. sheriff, 266, 2286. [OE. scīr-gerēfa.] Shirte, n. shirt, tunic, 768. [OE. scyrte.]

Sho, v. to provide with shoes, 1138; Shod, pp. 971.

sco(i)an.] See Shon, n.

Sho, Soho, pron. 3 sg. fem. nom. she, 112, 126, 649, &c. She.

Shof, pa. t. sg. shoved, 871, 892.

[OE. scūfan.]

Shol(en), Sholden. See Shal. Sholdre, Shuldre, n. shoulder, 604, 1262, 2738; Sholdres, pl. 1647, 1818; Shuldren, pl. 982 in bi be shuldren more, higher by head and shoulders. [OE. sculdor.] See Shuldre-blade, Shuldreden.

Shon, n. pl. shoes, 860, 969. [OE.  $sc\bar{o}(h)$ .]

Shon. See Shine. Shop. See Shape(n).

Shoten, Schoten, Schuten, pa. t. pl. assailed (with missiles), 1864; rushed (at), 1838, 2431. [OE. sceotan.]

Shrede, n. fragment, morsel of food, 99. [OE. screade.]

Shride. See Shrud.

Shride, v. to clothe, put on, wear, 963; Shrid, pp. clad, 978.

[OE. scrydan.]

Shriue(n), v. to shrive, hear confess, 212, 362; Shriue(n), [OE. pp. 227, 364, 2489, 2598. scrifan.

[OE. Shrud, m. clothing, 303.

scrud.

Shul(en), Shulde. See Shal. Shuldre(n). See Sholdre.

Shuldre-blade (MS. Shudre-), dat. shoulder-blade, 2644. OE. sculdor + blæd.

Shuldreden, pa.t. pl. shouldered,

jostled, nudged, 1056. [To OE. sculdor.

Sibbe, adj. related, akin, 2277.

OE. sibb.

Side, Syde, n. side (of the body), 127, 1980, 2130; Sides, pl. 1850; Siden, pl. 371. [OE. side.]

Sike, v. to sigh, 201. [OE. si-

can. See Siking.

Sikerlike, adv. surely, assuredly, 422, 625, 2301, 2707, 2871. [OE. sicor + lice.

Sikernesse, n. surety, guarantees, 2856. [OE. sicor + nes(se).]

Siking, n. sighing, 234. [To

OE. sīcan.] See Sike.

Siluer, n. silver, money, 73, 818, 1223. [OE. siolfor, sylfur.] Simenels, n. pl. a kind of bread or cake: simenels with he horn,

779; see Horn. [O.Fr. simenel.]

Singen, v. to sing, chant, 243, 391. [OE. singan.]

Sinne, n. sin, 536, 2461, &c.; pity, 1976, 2375, 2627. synn.

Sire, Syre, n. lord, sir, 310, 909, 1229, 2009, &c. [O.Fr. sire.] Sister, n. sister, 411, 1231, 1365,

&c. [ON. systir.]

Site, Sitte, v. to sit, to lie (of a ship), 366, 1316, 2098, 2809; Sat, pa. t. sg. 399, 566, 735, 2344, &c.; Seten, pa. t. pl. 1738, 1766; Set, pp. 162; site on knes, to kneel, 2709. On MS. Sat, pa. t. sg. opposed, 2567, see Note. [OE. sittan.]

Sipe, Sype, n. dat. time, 1052; in fele sibe, many times, 778, 2189, 2843, sipe is gen. pl., but note fele sibes, 1277; MS. fele sibes, 1737; five hundred sibes, 213; an hundred sypes, 2162. [OE. sip.]

Sipe(n), adv. afterwards, 399, 472, 1414, 1814, &c.; Siben, conj. after, 1988, &c. [OE. sibban.] Sixe, adj. six, 1824. [OE. six.]

Sixtene, adj. sixteen, 890. [OE.

sixtene.

Bixti, adj. sixty, 1747, &c. [OE.

sixtig.

Sket, adv. quickly, 1926, 1960, 2303, 2493, 2513, 2574, 2736, 2839. [ON. skjótt, earlier \*skéot-.] Skirming, n. fencing, 2323. [To O.Fr. skirmer.]

Slawe(n). See Slo.

Slenge, v. to sling, 2435; Slenget, pp. 1923. [ON. \*slengja.]

Slep, n. sleep, 1282.

slēp.

Slepe(n), v. to sleep, 1283; Slep, imper. sg. 660, 661; Slep, pa. t. sg. 1280; Slepen, pa. t. pl. 2128. [OE. slēpan.]

Sleues, n. pl. sleeves, 1957. [OE. slef(e).]

Sley, Slei(e), adj. skilful, \*1072, 1084, 2116. [ON. slág-r.]

Slike, adv. or adj. smooth or smoothly (1), 1157. [OE.\*slice (1).] 810, n. a sloe, 849, 2051.

 $sl\bar{a}(h)$ .

Slo(n), to slay, strike, smite, 512, 1364, 1412, 1745, 2543, 2706; Slos, imper. pl. 2596; Slou, Slow, pa. t. sg. 501, 2633; Slowe(n), pa. t. pl. 2414, 2427, 2432; Slawe(n), pp. 1803, 1928, 2000, 2681, 2747, &c.; Slayn, pp. 1428; be ferdes togidere slowe, the armies met in battle, 2683. [ON. slá, OE. slēan, O.Nth.E. slā.

Smerte, adj. pl. painful, 2055. [Cf. OE. smeart, but the vowel is influenced by OE. smeortan, v. or

ME. smerte, n.

Smerte, adv. sharply, severely,

215. [To prec.]

Smerte, v. to smart, cause acute pain, 2647. [OE. smeortan.]

Smite, v. to smite, 1854; Smot, pa. t. sg. 1676, 1823, 2654. [OE. smitan.

Smith, #. smith, 1876. [OE. smið.

[OE. So, n. a tub, pail, 933. sā.

So, adv. so, 17, &c. [OE. swā.] See Also.

80, conj. as, 279, 349, &c.; so ... so, so ... as, 1083, &c.; so as, whereas, although, 337. [OE. swā.]

Sobbing, n. sobbing, 234.

OE. \*sobbian.

Softe, adj. gentle, mild, 991.

[OE. softe.]

Softe, adv. luxuriously, quietly, stealthily, 2618. [To prec.

Somdel, Sumdel, adv. somewhat, rather, 240, 450, 497, 1054, 2306, 2950. [OE. sume dæle.]

Sond, n. sand, shore, shoal (!),

708, 735. [OE. sand.]

Sone, adv. straightway, 78, &c.; sone ... sone, conj. as soon as, 1354. [OE. sona.]

Sone, n. son, 246, 660, 839, 2980. [OE. sunu.]

Sor, n. grief, pain, 234, 1988. [OE. sār.]

Sor, adj. painful, 1817. [OE. sar.

Sore, Sare, adv. sorely, grievously, 152, 214, 401, 455, 503, &c. [OE. sare.]

Sori, Sory, adj. sad, wretched, 151, 477, 1248; vile, 2229. [OE.

sārig.]

Sorwe, n. sorrow, 57, 233, 473,

1374, &c. [OE. sorg.]

Sorwful (Sorful, 151; MS. 2541), adj. sad, sorrowful, in sor(w) ful and sori; cf. 1248. [OE. sorgfull.

Soth, n. truth, 36, 2008, &c.; for sope, truly, 274. In soth is, 647; pat was soth, 2015; soth was, 2015, &c., it is n. or adj. [OE. sop.]

Soplike, adv. truly, 276. [OE. sublice.

Sotshipe (MS. Shotshipe), n. folly, 2099. [OE. sotscipe.] Soule, n. soul, 245, 1422; Soule, dat. 74; in mi soule red, 1975, it is dat. or gen sg., the sense amounting to 'what my conscience demands'. [OE. sāwol.]

Soupe, Supe, v. to sup, 1765, 1766. [OE. sūpan.]

Sounte. See Seken.

Sowe(n). See Se(n), v.

Sowel, n. anything eaten with bread as a relish, 767, 1143, 2905. [OE. suft.]

Span-newe, adj. pl. brand new,

968. [ON. spán-ný-r.]

Sparke, n. spark, 91. [OE.

spearca.]

Spare, v. to spare, 1995, 2691; Sparede, pa. t. sg. in sparede he neyher tos ne heles, 898, i.e. he ran as fast as he could, 898; Spared, pp. 1240. [OE. sparian.]

Sparkede, pa. t. sg. sparkled, 2144. [OE. \*spearcian.]

Speche, n. speech, power of speech, 229 (see Leyn); MS. Speche, 1065. [OE. spēc.]

Spede, v. to prosper, succeed, 93, 1634; Spedde, pa. t. sg. 756.

[OE. spēdan.]

Speke, n. speech, report, 946, \*1065, \*1070. [OE. spēc.]

Speke(n), v. to speak, talk, 113, 125, 326, 369, 548, &c.; Spak, pa. t. sg. 678, 2389, 2968; Speken, pa. t. pl. 1068, 1070; Spoken, pa. t. pl. 372; Speken, pp. 2369. [OE. specan.]

Spell(e), n. story, tale, 338.

[OE. spell.]

Spelle, v. to relate, tell a story,

15, 2530. [OE. spellian.]

\*Spende, pa. t. sg. spent, shed, 1819, but see Note. [OE. spendan.] Sperd(e), pp. locked in, imprisoned, 414, 448. [OE. (ge) spearrian, OLG. sperren.]

Spere, n. spear, 380, 489, 624,

2322, &c. [OE. spere.]

Spille, v. to destroy, perish,

2422; of limes spille, 86, see Lime. [OE. spillan.]

Spired, pp. inquired, made inquiries, 2620. [OE. spyrian.]

Spore, Spure, n. spur, 1676, 2569. [OE. spora, spura.]

Sprauleden, pa. t. pl. sprawled,

475. [OE. spreawlian.]

Sprede, v. to spread out (the hands in token of submission), 95; Sprad, pp. 2920. [OE. sprædan.]

Springe(n), v. to spring; Sprong, pa. t. sg. 91; on word wide sprong, 959, see Note;

Sprongen, pa. t. pl. 870; Sprungen, pp. in day was sprungen, dawn came, 1131. [OE. springan.]

gringan.

Sprote, n. twig, spront, any growing plant, 1142. [OE. sprota.]
Spuse(n), v. to marry, 1123,

1170; Spuse, 2 sg. subj. 2875; Spusede, pa. t. sg. 2887; Spused, Spuset, pp. 1175, 1266, 2928. [O.Fr. (e) spouser.]

Spusing(e), n. marriage, 1164, 1177, 2886, 2888. [To prec.] Stac, n. a stack, 814. [ON.

stakk-r.]

Staf, n. staff, 1890, 2517. [OE. stæf.]

Stake, n. a stake, 2830. [OE.

staca.]

Stalworpe, Stalworpi, adj. stalwart, valiant, strong. 24, 904, 2027, &c.; MS. Stalworpeste, superl. 25. [OE. (WS.) stālwierðe + OE. -ig.] See Grund-stalwurpe. Stan-ded, adj. stone-dead, dead as a stone, 1815. [OE. stān+

dead.] Standen. See Stonden.

Star, n. a kind of sedge used for kindling fires, 939. [ON. star-.]
Stare(n), v. to stare; Starinde, pres. ptc. 508; Stareden, pa. t. pl. 1037 (see Note). [OE. starian.]
Stark, adj. strong, stout, 341,

380; stark and strong, 608, 988, &c. [OE. stearc.]

Stede, n. steed, 10, 26, 88, &c.

[OE. stēda.]

Stede, n. place, 142, 744, 1846. [OE. stede.]

Stel, n. steel, 2503, 2759. [OE.

stēle.

Stem, n. a ray of light, 591.

[OE. steam.]

Sternes, n. pl. stars, 1809 (see Ageyn). [ON. stjarna, earlier \*stearn-.

Stert, n. in on a litel stert, in a moment, 1873. [OE. \*steort, cf.

Stirte.

Stert, n. tail, 2823. [OE. steort.] Steuene, s. voice, 1275, [OE. stefn.

Sti, n. way, road, \*1201, 2618.

[OE. stig.]

Sticke, Stikke, Stike, n. stick, 914, 1142, 1238. [OE. sticca.] See Fir-sticke.

Stille, adj. pl. quiet, shy, 955,

2309. [OE. stille.]

Stille, adv. quiet, quietly, not loudly, 69, 2997. [To prec.]
\*Stinted (added in l. 2670), pa.

t. pl. ceased.

Stirt(e), pa. t. sg. leaped (up), rushed, 398, 566, 812, 873, 1049, &c.; Stirte(n), pa. t. pl. 599, 1964, 2609. [OE. \*styrtan.]

Stith, n. anvil, 1877. ION. stedi.

Stiward, n. steward, 666. [OE.

stigweard.

Ston(e), n. stone, 569, 1023, 1025, 1044, &c.; precious stone,

1633. [OE. stan.]

Stonden, v. to stand, remain standing, be situated, 321, 689, 2240, &c.; Stod, pa. t. sg. 476, 679, &c.; in the tag-phrase per he stod, 1818; it stod a stem, there issued a ray, 591; Engelond stod awe, 277 (see Note); Stode(n), pa. t. pl. 889, 1037; impers. in him stondes wel, it is well for him, 2983. [OE. standan.]

Stor, adj. great, proud, 2383. [ON. stor-r.]

Storie, n. story, 1641, 1734. [O.Fr. (e)storie.]

Stormes, n. pl. 1378.

storm.

Stra, n. straw; in gaf nouht a stra, cared not a straw, 315, 466. [ON. strá.]

Strangest. See Strong.

Strangle(n), v. to strangle, 2584; strangled, pp. 640. (e)strangler.] O.Fr.

Strem, s. stream, 2687.

strēam.

Strenes, 3 sg. pres. indic. begets, 2983. [OE. streonan.]

Strengbe, n. strength, 990. [OE. strengo(u).

Strie, n. a hag, witch, 998. [O.Fr. (e)strie.]

Strive, v. to strive, contend, 2271. [O.Fr. (e)striver.]

Strong, adj. strong, 80, &c.; severe, oppressive, 114, 841, 1986; ful strong, shameful, too bad, 443, 802; Strangest, superl. 200, 1081. [OE. strang.]

Stronglike, adv. violently, 135.

[OE. stranglice.]

Strout, n. contention, 1039.

See next.

Stroute, v. contend, make a disturbance, 1779. [OE. strūtian.] Stunde, Stonde, n. dat. while, period of time, 2614; umbe stonde, in former times, 2297. [OE. stund.

Sturgiun, n. sturgeon, 753, 1727 (MS. Sturgun). [O.Fr. (e)stur-

geon.

Sueren, Sweren, v. to swear, 494, 647, &c.; Suere, 2 sg. pres. subj. 388; Swor, pa. t. sg. 398, 1118, 2367; Swore, pa. t. pl. 2307; Swor(e)n, pp. 204, 439, 2378, &c. [OE. swerian.]

Suete, Swete, adj. sweet, 1388,

2927. [OE. swēte.]

Sueyn, Sweyn, Swain, n. peasant, 32, 343, 371, 1328, 2195, &c., generally used in opposition to kniht. [ON. svein-n.]

Suilk, Swilk, adj. such, 644, 1118, 1625, 2684, 2783; riht al swilk so, just as, 2123. [OE. swilc.]

See Svich.

Sum, adj. a, some, 1092; Summe, pl. 1923, 1924. [OE. sum.]

Sumdel. See Somdel.

Sunne, n. sun, 436, 2671, &c. [OE. sunne.]

[OE. sunne.]

Sunne-bem, n. sunbeam, 592, 2123. [OE. sunbēam, influenced by the simplex.]

Supe. See Soupe.

Super, n. supper, 1762. [O.Fr. soper.]

Sure, adv. bitterly, dearly, 2005.

[OE. sūr, adj.]

Suth, South, adv. south, 434, 1255. [OE. sūb.] See Bisoupe. Svich, adj. such, 60. [OE. swile.] See Suilk.

Swannes, n. pl. swans, 1726.

[OE. swan.]

Swerd, n. sword, 1759, 1769, 2625, 2631, 2659, &c.; on swerd, 2635, see Note. [OE. sweord.]

Sweren. See Sueren.

Sweyn. See Sueyn. Swike, n. traitor, 423, 551, 626,

Swike, n. traitor, 423, 551, 626, 1158, 2401, 2451, 2834, 2990, &c. [OE. swica.]

Swike, adj. deceitful, treacherous, 2468. [OE. swice.]

Swikel, adj. treacherous, 1108. [OE. swicol.]

Swilen, v. to wash (dishes), 919.

[OE. swilian.]

Swin, n. pl. swine, 701, 1227; Swines, gen. sg. 781. [OE. swin.] Swinge, v. to beat, 214; Swungen, pp. 226. [OE. swingan.]

Swink, n. labour, 770, 801,

2456. [OE. (ge)swinc.]

Swinken v. to labour, toil, 798; Swank, pa. t. sg. 788. [OE. swincan.]

Swire, n. neck, 311. [OE.

swira.

Swipe, Swype, adv. very, exceedingly, 111, 217, 341, 2436, &c.; quickly, 140, 584, 682, 690, 2594, &c. [OE. swiðe.]

Swot, n. sweat, 2662. [(
swāt.]

Swungen. See Swinge.

Syre. See Sire.

Sypo. See Sipe.

Sype, n. scythe, 2553, 2699. [OE. sīðe, sigðe.]

Tabour, n. tabor, small drum,

2329. [O.Fr. tabour.]

Take(n), v. to take, catch, receive, seize, 409, 532, &c.; Tok, pa. t. sg. 114, 354, 467, 537, 819; Token, pa. t. 1216; Token, pa. t. pl. 1194; Taken, pp. 260; take red, to adopt a plan, 1833; take lond under fote, to set out on a journey, 1199. [ON. take.]

Talo, n. tale, 3, 5, 13, &c.; bi tale, by number, 2026. [OE. tæl.]
Talovas (MS. Talovaces), n. pl.
bucklers, large shields, 2323.

[O.Fr. talevas.]

Tarst, adv. first, 2688 (see Note). [Tauhte (MS.), 2214, see Bitechen.]

Tayl, n. tail, 2478, 2506. [OE. tægl.]

Tel, n. reproach; in withuten tel, 191, 2219. [OE. tel.]

Telle, v. to tell, count, account, 3, 2615, &c.; cf. \*Telle, MS. Til, 1348; Told, pp. 776, 1036, 1172. [OE. tellan.]

Ten, adj. ten, 871, 2414, 2429, &c. [OE. tēn. The rimes prove

Tendre, adj. tender, 217, 2743. [O.Fr. tendre.]

Tene, n. grief, affliction, 729.

[OE, teona.]

Ter, n. tear, 285. [OE. tear.] Tere, v. to paint with tar, 707. [To OE. teoru, n.]

Teth, n. pl. teeth, 2406. [OE.

top, pl. tep.] Toyto, adj. active, eager, 1841,

2331. [ON. teit-r.]

pank, n. thanks, 160, 2560 (see Can); God pank, thanks to God, 2005. [OE. panc.]

pankede, pa. t. sg. thanked, 2189, 2843. [OE. pancian.]

panne, pan, adv. then, 51, 59, 10.14, &c.; conj. when, 226, 248, 978, &c. [OE. panne.]

panne, pan, conj. than, 983, &c.; than if, 944, 1867. [OE.

banne.

\*par (MS. pat), pret. pres. ought, 801, but see Note. [OE. bearf.] See burte.

bare. See bore.

parne, v. to lose, be deprived of, 1913, 2492, 2835. MS. parned be ded, 1687, is miswritten for boled be ded, owing to confusion with barned he lif; cf. 2492. [ON. harfna.]

pat, adj. and pron. that, 166,

565, &c. [OE. bæt.]

pat, pet, pron. rel. indecl. that, which, who, &c., 10, 101, 1675, &c.; pat, dat. 727, 2029; often supplemented by the personal prononn pat . . . he, who, 2392, &c.; pat ... his, whose, 28; pat ... hem, whom, 2966-7; pat it, which, 2686, &c.; pat, that which, 668. &c. [To prec.]

pat, conj. that, so that, in order that, 16, 18, 675, &c.; because, 161, &c.; until, 576, 900. [OE. pæt.

paue, v. to endure, suffer, permit, 296, 2696. [OE. bafian.]

payn, peyn, pein, n. thane (in enumerations usually follows dreng and precedes kniht), 31, 1327, 2184, 2194, 2260, 2466. [OE. pegn.

pe, def. art. indecl. the, 5, &c. [OE. (Anglian)  $b\bar{c} = s\bar{c}$ .]

pe (MS. phe, 1914), n. thigh, 1903, 1950, 1984. [OE. bēh.] bede, n. dat. country, 105, 2890. [OE. peod.]

pef (MS. phes, 2289), thief, 2434; peues, pl. 41, 1780. [OE.

beof.

pei, pron. 3 pl. nom. they, 414, 1020, 1195, &c., beside common He; MS. pere, poss. adj. 1350, beside regular Her(e), 52, &c.; Hem, dat. and acc. 38, 76, &c. See the separate forms. [ON. pei-r, peirra, peim, beside OE. hēo, heora, heom.

pei, pey, conj. though, yet, 807, 992, 1165, \*1682, 1966, 2501, &c.; hei should probably be read for MS. prie, 730. [OE. pēh.] See

bouh.

penk, v. to think, plan, 306, 578; penke, 2 sg. pres. subj. 2393; bouhte, bowhte, pa. t. sg. 443, 507, 1073, 1869, &c.; pouht, pp. 312. [OE. pencan.]

penne, adv. thence, 777, 1185. [Cf. OE. panan.] See Pepen.

per(e) (MS. often pe, 142, 476, 863, 933), adv. there, 232, 234, &c.; conj. where, 142, 158, 318, 448, 803, &c.; there where, 1740; to where, 2381. [OE. per.] See Pore.

per-, in perafter, after that, 135; on that account, 776, 819, &c.; per-bi, by, 476; per-fore, for it, 776; per-biforn, before that, 665; per-fram, from there, 55; perfro, from it, 2253; perinne, therein, 322, 535, &c.; perof, peroffe, thereof, 372, 466, 1068, &c.; perporu, through it, by that means, 1098, 2827; pertil, thereto, 396, 1041, &c.; perto, thereto, to it, 4, 1045, &c.; perute, ontside, 1778, 1809; perwith, therewith, 639, 1031, 1046. See Perteken, Per-yen.

per(e). See pei.

perl (for *fe erl*), the earl, 178. perne, *n*. serving-maid, 298. [ON. *herna*.]

perteken, adv. moreover, 2878.

[OE. per to ecan.]

per-yen, against that, 2271.

[OE. per+gegn.]

pet, def. adj. in pet oper, the second, 879; and, with wrong division, MS. pe toper, 411 (see Note). [OE. pet, neut.]

pepen (MS. Pepe, 2629), adv. thence, 2498. [ON. peban.]

peu, adj. and n. slave, serf, 2205;

pewe, pl. 262. [OE. peow.] peues. See pef.

powes, n. pl. manners, virtues, 282. [OE. pēaw.]

pey. See pei.

picke, adj. thick, stout, deep (in the chest), 1648. [OE. picce.]

picke, adv. thickly, in great number, 1172. [To prec.]

pider, adv. thither, 850, 1012, 1021, &c. [OE. bider.]

pigge, v. to get by begging, 1373. [OE. picgan, or ON. piggia.]

ping(e), n. thing, 66, &c.; pinge, pl. 71; ping, pl. 2021; for no ping, on no account, 1936. [OE. ping.]

pinke(n), v. impers. it seems, 2169; pouhte, pa. t. 197, 256, 691, 1286, &c. [OE. hyncan, pret. bühte.]

pis, pron. this, 260, 532, 841, &c.; pis, pl. 1145. [OE. pes,

neut. *his.*]

his (for *his is*), 606.

pisternesse, n. darkness, 2191.

[OE. piosternes(se).]

po, pron. those, 395 (see Note), 1918, 2044, &c. [OE. ja, pl. of article.]

po, adv. then, 930; conj when, 1047. [OE. pa.]

por-, in portil, thereto, 1443; porwith, 100, therewith. See

per-.]

pore, adv. there, 742, 922, 1014, &c. [OE. pār, pāra.] See per(e). por(h)ut, pur(h)ut, prep. throughout, 52, 1065. See poru.

porn(e)bake, n. skate, ray, 759,

832. [OE. porn + bec.]

poru, porw, prep. through, by the agency of, 264, 367, 627, 848, 2646; poru and poru, 774; poruth is clearly a spelling for poruh in 2786; and possibly in puruth, 52; poruth, 1065. [OE. purh.] poruh-like (MS. poruthlike),

poruh-like (MS. poruthlike), 680; adv. searchingly. [OE. purh + līce.] See poru.

pouh, powh (MS. always pou, pow, po; cf. pei), conj. though, yet, 124, 299, 1020, 1669, &c. [ON. \*jauh, poh.]

pouht, n. thought, concern, 122,

1190, 2053, &c. [OE. joht.] pouhte. See Pinke(n).

pousand, pusand, pousind, adj. thousand, 127, 2355, 2371, 2681, &c. [OE. pūsend, pūsand.] pral, n. slave, thrall, 527, 684, 1097, 1158, 2564, 2589; wretch, 1408. [ON. prál-l.]

prawe, n. space of time, 276, 1215. [OE. prag.]

pre, adj. three, 385, &c. [OE. brēo.]

predde. See pridde.

prette, pa. i. sg. threatened, 1163, 2404. [OE. preatian.] pridde, predde, adj. third, 867, 2633. [OE. pridda.]

prinne, adj. three, 716, 761, 1977, 2091. [ON. prinn-r.]

pristo(n), prist, v. to thrust, 1152, 2019, 2625; prist, pp. 638. [ON. prysta.]

priue, v. to thrive, 280, 514. [ON. prifa.]

protes, n. pl. throats, 471, 1413. [OE. protu.]

pu, pw, pou (MS. po, 388, &c.), pron. 2 sg. nom. thou. Attached to verbs, as in wiltu, 691, &c.; shaltow, 1322, &c.; MS. wilte, 528; penkeste, 578. Tu after a dental in pat tu, 2903. pin, gen. 1128; pin(e), pi, poss. adj. 620, 1152, 2065; used absolutely, 619, &c.; pe, acc. and dat. 529, 530, 531, &c. [OE. pū, pē, pīn.] See Ye.

pur(h)ut. See poru, por(h)ut. purto, pa. t. sg. need, might, 10; cf. par, v. [OE. purfan.] pus, adv. thus, 1952, &c. [OE.

pus.]

pusgate, adv. in this way, 785, 2419, 2586. [Prec. + ON. gata.] See Gate, Hwilkgat.

Tid, n. time, hour, 2100. [OE.

tid.

Tiding, n. news, information, 1926. [ON. tidendi; cf. prec.] See Tipandes.

Tiht (MS. Thit), pp. purposed,

2990. [OE. tyhtan.]

Til, prep. to, for, 141, 761, 864, &c. [ON. til; rare OE. til.] See

Intil, Pertil, Portil.

Til, Til (pat), conj. till, until, 174, 183, 192, 378, &c. [As prec.] Tilled, pp. drawn; tilled in-til his hond, obtained control over, 438. [OE. (for)tyllan.]

Time, n. time, 28, 45, &c. [OE.  $t\bar{t}ma$ .]

ma.

Tinte, pa. t. sg. lost. 2023. [ON.

týna.]

Tirueden, pa. t. pl. rolled back, stripped (clothes off), 603. [OE. \*tyrfan.] See To-turuen.

Tipandes, n. pl. news, 2279. [ON. tibendi.] See Tiding. To, n. toe, 898, 1743, 1847,

To, n. toe, 898, 1743, 1847, 2163, &c. [OE. tā.]

To, Two, adj. two, 350, 2664.

[OE. twā.]

To, adv. too, 304, 689, 691, &c. [OE. tō.]

To, prep. to, for, 18, 72, 325, 526, 783, &c.; him to be fet, at his feet, 616; to middel-niht, till midnight, 575; hire to gode bouhte, appeared to her as good, 197. [OE. tō.]

To-, in composition with verbs has usually the force of Latin dis-; see following words, where it is often intensified by prefixing Al.

To-brised, pp. bruised sorely, 1950. [OE. tobrysan.]

To-orusshe (MS. To-oruhsse), inf. crush to pieces, 1992. [Tō+O.Fr. cruissir.]

To-day, adv. to-day, 426. [OE.

tō-dæg.

To-deyle, pl. pres. indic. take part in, 2099. [Tō+ON. deila.] See Deyled.

To-drawen, pp. drawn as under, 2001.  $\lceil T\tilde{o} + OE \rceil$ .

To-frusshe, v. to break in pieces, 1993. [Tō+O.Fr. fruissier.]

To-gidere, Togydere, adv. together, 1128, 1181, 2683, 2891. [OE. tōgædere.]

To-hewen, pp. hewn to pieces, 2001. [OE.  $t\bar{o} + h\bar{e}awan$ .]

To-morwe(n), adv. to-morrow, 530, 1127, 2011. [OE. tō-morgen.]

To-nicht, Toniht, adv. to-night, 533; last night, 1955, 2003. [OE. tō-niht.]

To miner Ad torn

To-riuen, pp. torn to pieces, 1953; To-rof, pa. t. sg. 1792. [Tō+ON. rtfa.]

To-shiuere, v. to shiver in pieces, 1993; Toshiuered, pp. 2667. [To+ME. shiueren.]

To-tere, v. to tear in pieces, 1839; To-torn, pp. 1948, 2021. [OE. töteran.]

To-turuen, v. to strip (eels of their skins), 918. [Since u for

OE. y is not found elsewhere in Havelek, the form if correct points to OE. \*turfian.] See Tirueden.

To-tused, pp. mauled, torn, 1948. [OE. \*tJ-tūsian.]

To-yede, pa. t. sg. went to, 765. [OE. pret. to-gecode.] Totede, pa. t. sg. peeped, 2106.

OE. totian.

[Toper (MS.), 411. See Pet.] Toun, Tun, Town, n. town, 397, 764, 1001, 1444, 1750, 2277, 2911, &c. [OE. tun.]

Tour, n. tower, 448, 2073. [O.Fr. tour.]

Toward, prep. towards, 2138.

[OE. to-weard.]

Trayso(u)n, Tresoun, s. treason, 312, 444, 1090, 2989. [O.Fr. traison, -un.]

Trayt(o)ur, Traytur, Traitour, n. traitor, 319,692, 2757. [O.Fr. traitour.]

Tre, n. a bar of wood, 1022, 1821, 1843, 1882, &c. [OE. treo.] See Dore-tre; Galwe-tre.

Trechery, n. treachery, 443, 1089. [O.Fr. trecherie.]

Trewe, adj. true, trusty, 179, 1756; Trewest, superl. 374. [OE. treowe.

Tristen, v. to trust, 253.

ON. treysta.

Tro, v. to trust, believe in, 2862; \*Trod (MS. Croud), pp. 2338, see Note. [O. East Norse troa.] See Trowe.

Trome, n. a company, troop, 8. [OE. truma.] [O.Fr.

Trone, s. throne, 1316.

trone. Trowe, v. to believe, trust, 1656; Trowede, pa. t. sg. 382. [OE. treowian, trūwian.] See Tro.

Trusse, v. to pack up, 2017.

[O.Fr. trousser.]

Tuenti, adj. twenty, 259. OE. twentig.]

Tumberel, n. a porpoise, 757. [O.Fr. \*tomberel.]

Tun. See Toun.

Tunge, s. tongue, 369. [OE. tunge.

Turbut, m. turbot, 754. [O.Fr. turbot.

Turnen, v. to turn, recover, 154. [O.Fr. tourner.]

Turves, n. pl. turf, peat, 939.

[OE. turf.] Twelue (MS. Twelf, 787; Twel

rather for Twelf, 1054, 2455), adj. twelve. [OE. twelf.]

Ueneysun, s. venison, 1726. [O.Fr. veneisun.]

Vmbe stonde, adv. once upon a time, formerly, 2297. [ON. umb +OE. stund.] See Stunde.

Umbistode, pa. t. pl. stood around, beset, 1875. [ON. umb+ bestandan. ] See Bistode.

Vm-bi-yeden (MS. Unbi-; cf. MS. Chaunpioun), pa. t. pl. surrounded, 1842. [ON. umb+OE. began.

Unblibe, adj. unhappy, sad, 141.

OE. unblide.

Unbounden, pa. t. pl. unbound, 601. [OE. onbindan.]

Unclopede, pa. t. sg. undressed, 659. [OE. on-, un-+clatian.]

Under, prep. under ; under mone, 373; under God, 423, i.e. on earth; under hond, under (his) sway, 2295. [OE. under.]

Underfong, pa. t. sg. perceived, 115 (see Note). [OE, underfon, pp. -fangen.]

Understonde, v. to receive, 1159, 2814; Under-stod, pa. t. sg. 1760. [OE. understandan.]

Undertok, pa. t. sg. took, 664; Under-toke, 3 sg. pa. t. subj. would take in charge, 377. [OE. under + ON. taka.]

Undo, v. unfasten, open, cut loose, 1772, 2739. [OE. ondon.]

Unker, pron. gen. dual, in e(y)per unker, each of you two, 1882; see Note.

Unkeueleden, pa. t. pl. ungagged, 601. [un-+ON. kefla.] See Keuel.

Unkyndelike, adv. unsuitably, beneath (her) rank, 1250. [OE. un(ge)cyndelice.]

Unornelike, adv. roughly, shamefully, 1941. [OE. unornic,

adj.]

Unride, ady. rough, clumsy, huge, very numerous, 964, 1795, 1981, 2673, 2947; Unrideste, superl. 1985. [OE. ungeryde.]

Unriht, n. wrong, injustice, 1369.

[OE. unriht.]

Until, prep. unto, to, 2913, 2930. [ON.\*und(!)+ON. til.]
Un-to, prep. to, 1934, 1944, 2086, 2399, 2474. [Cf. prec. and OLG. unto.] See Intil.

Unwraste, adj. wretched, filthy,

547, 2821. [OE. unwræst.] Uoyz,n.voice, 1264. [O.Fr.voiz.] Up, adv. up, 597, &c. [OE. ūp, upp.]

Up-drow, pa.t. sg. drew up, 932. [OE up+dragan.] See Drawen. Up-on, prep. upon, against, 47, 2689, &c.; upon his gamen, in sport, 468. [OE. up+on.]

Vt, prep. out, 89, 155, 346, 1178,

&c. [OE. ūt.]

Vt-drawen, v. to draw out; Vt-drow, pa. t. sg. 1794, 2632; Ut-drawe n), pp. 1802, 2631. [OE. ūt+dragan.] See Drawen.

Uton, adv. out, exhausted, 842 (?). Zupitza suggests eten, but the MS. is possibly correct. [OE. ūtan.]

Uten-laddes, n. pl. men from abroad, foreigners, 2153, 2580. See Uten and Ladde.

Vtlawes, n. pl. outlaws, 41.

[ON. útlagi.]

Utrage, n. outrage, outrageous conduct, 2837. [O.Fr. outrage.]

Wa. See Wo.

Wade, v. to pass, go, 2645. [OE. wadan.]

Wagge, v. to brandish, wield,

89. [Cf. OE. wagian.]

Waiten, Wayte(n), v. watch, watch for an opportunity, 512, 1754, 2070. [O.Nth.Fr. waiter.]

Waken, v. to keep watch over, be awake, 630; Waked, pp. 2999.

[OE. wacian.]

Wakne, v. intrans. to wake up,

2164. [OE. wæcn(i)an.]

Wantede, pa. t. sg. was lacking, 712, 1243. [ON. vanta.]

War, adj. aware, conscious, 788, 2139. [OE. wær.]

Warant, n. surety,

[O.Nth.Fr. warant.]
Ware, n. wares, merchandise,
52, 765. [OE. waru.]

2067.

Ware. See Wore.

Warie, v. to curse; 3 sg. pres. subj. 433; Waried, pp. 434. [OE. wergan.]

Warne, v. to warn, 2834. [OE.

warnian.]

Warp, pa. t. sg. threw, cast,

1061. [OE. weorpan.]

Was, pa. t. sg. was, 6, 7, 8, &c.; Weren, pa. t. pl. 283, &c.; Wer(e), pa. t. sg. subj. 133, 1097, &c.; Weren, pa. t. pl. subj. 2413, &c. [OE. wæs, wēron.] See Wore. Washen, v. to wash, 1233. [OE.

wascan.]
Wastel, n. cake or loaf made of

fine flour, 779, 878. [O.Nth.Fr.

wastel.]
Water, n. water, 912, 932, &c.

[OE. wæter.] Wawe, Wowe, n. wall, 2078; in the tag bi pe wawe, 474, 1963,

2470. [OE. wāg.] Waxen, v. to grow; Wex, pa.

t. sg. 281: Waxen, pp. 302, 791. [OE. wæxan.] Wayke, adj. pl. weak, 1012.

[ON. veik-r.]

Wayte(n). See Waiten.

We, pron. 2 pl. nom. we, 457, &c.; Us, acc. and dat. 16, 455, &c.; Ure, poss. adj. 697, &c. [OE. wē, ūs, ūre.]

Wede, v. gallop furiously (of a horse), 2837, 2641. [OE. wēdan.]

See Wod.

Wede, n. clothing, garments, 94, 323, 861, 2825. [OE. wēd(e).]

Wedde, v. to wed, marry, 1113; Weddet, Wedded, pp. 1127, 2770. [OE. weddian.]

Wei, n. road, way, 772, &c.; Weie, dat. 952. [OE. weg.]

Weilawei, interj. alas! 462, 570. [OE. wei lā wei.]

Wel (MS. Wol, 185), adv. full, quite, very; often like ful used as a weak intensive, 29, 115, 185, 1747; Wel o bon(e), see note to 2355; was him wel, he was well off, 274; wel with me, in my favour, 2878. [OE. wel.]

Wele (MS. Wel), n. weal, happiness; in for wele ne wo, for weal or woe, on any account, 2777.

[OE. wela.]

Welde, v. to wield (a weapon), to rule, govern (a kingdom), possess, 129, 175, 1359, 1436, 2034. [OE. geweldan, wk.]

Welkome, pp. welcome, 1213, 1214. [Cf. ON. vel-kominn.]

Welle, n. spring, well, 1851.

[OE. well(a), welle.]

Wende, v. to go, turn, 1344, 1346, 1440, 1705, 2629; Wente, pa. t. sg. 1919; Wend, pp. 2138; Went, pp. 2450, see Note. [OE. wendan.]

Wene, v. to think, expect, 598, 655, 840, 1260, 1787; Wende, pa. t. sg. 534, 1091, 1803, &c.; Wende(n), pa. t. pl. 374, 1197, 2547. [OE. wēnan.]

Wepen, pa. t. pl. wept, 152,

401. [OE. wepan.]

Wepne, n, sg. & pl. weapon(s),

89, 93, 490, 1436, &c. [OE. wēpn.]

Wer(en). See Was.

Werd, n. world, 1290 (see Note); 2241, 2335, 2792, 2968; o worde, in the world, 1349. [OE. weorold.]

Were, v. to defend, 2152, 2298.

[OE. werian.]

Werewed, pp. 1915, is apparently the same as Wirwed, pp. mauled, strangled, 1921. On the vowel see Morsbach, ME. Gr. § 129 n. 2. [OE. wyrgan.]

Werk, n. labour, deed, 34, 866.

[OE. werc.]

Werne, v. to refuse, deny, 1345; Werne, 3 sg. pres. subj. 926.

[OE. wernan.]

Werse, adj. compar. worse, 1100, 1134; the vowel is perhaps due to ON. verri compar., verst-r superl. [Cf. OE. wyrsa.]

Wesseyl, n. wassail, toast, lit. be hale! 1246. [ON. \*ves heill.] Wesseylen, pl. pres. indic. drink healths, 2098; Wosseyled, pp. 1737. [To prec.]

Wex. See Waxen.

Wicke, Wikke, Wike, adj. wicked, wretched (of clothes), 66, 269, 319, 425, 665, 688, 965, 2458, 2825; wicke red, an unfortunate plan, 1406.

Wide, adj. pl. wide, 1845, 1957.

[OE. wid.]

Wide, adv. far, wide, 959, 1796. [OE. wide.]

Wif, n. woman, wife, 348, 1713, 2860; Wiues, pl. 2, 2855. [OE.

wīf.]

Wiht, n. whit, in no wiht, not at all, 97, 1763, 2500. [OE. wiht.]

Wiht, adj. courageous, active, 344, 1008, 1064, 1651, 1692, &c.; Wihtest(e), superl. 9, \*25. [ON. vig-t, adj. neut.]

Wike, Wikke. See Wicke. Wil, adj. at a loss, bewildered, ignorant, 863. [ON. vill-r.] See Wilde.

Wilde, adj. wild, 268. [OE.

wilde.

Wile, Wille, v. will, wish, desire, be willing, 352, 388, 485, &c.; Wiltu (MS. Wilte, 528, 1135), wilt thon, 681, 905; Wole, 1 sg. pres. 494, 1150; Wilen, pl. 732, 920, 1345, 2817, &c.; Wolde (MS. Wode, 951, 2310), pa. t. sg. 367, &c.; Wolden, pa. t. pl. 456, 514, 1057, &c.; on \*Wilde, 354, which perhaps represents ON. viida pa. t., see Note. [OE. willan.]

Wille, n. will, 273; wille don, to work (one's) will, 528, 953,

2423. [OE. willa.]

Wimman, Wymman, Wuman (MS. Wman, 174, 281), n. woman, 1139, 1156, 1168, 1720, 2713, &c. [OE. wifman.]

Win, Wyn, n. wine, 1729, 2341.

[OE. win.]

Wind, n. wind, 723, 1360. [OE.

wind.]

Winde, v. to wind, 221; Wounden (MS. Wnden), pp. 546. [OE. windan.]

Winne, n. dat. joy, 660, 2965.

[OE. wynn.]

Winne, v. to win, gain, 852, 1322. [OE. winnan.]

Winter, n. pl. winters, years, 259, 417, &c. [OE. winter.]

Wirchen, v. to work, cause, 510; Wrouht, Wrowht, pp. 1352, 2453, 2810. [OE. wyrcan.]

Wis, adj. wise, proficient, 180, 282, 288, 1421, 1635, &c. [OE. wis.]

Wise, n. manner, way, 204, 1713.

Wislike, adv. assuredly, 274. [OE. (ge)wisslice.]

Wisse, v. to direct, guide, advise, 104, 361. [OE. wissian.]

Wissing, n. advice, guidance, 2002. [OE. wissung.]

Wiste(n). See Wite.

Wit (?) (MS. Witl), pron. dual nom. we two, 1336, see Note, and cf. Unker. [OE. wit.]

Wite, v. to guard, decree, 405,

1316. [OE. witian.]

Wite(n), v. to know, 367, 517, 626, 2201, 2708, 2786, 2808, &c.; Wite, 3 sg. pres. subj. if he know, 694; Wot, pres. pres. sg. 119, 213, 653, 1345, 2527, 2803; Wost, 2 sg. pres. pres. 527, 582, 1384, 2715, &c.; Witen, pres. pres. pl. 2208; Wiste, pa. t. sg. 115, 223, 358, 541, 1280, &c.; Wisten, pa. t. pl. 1184, 1187, 1200, &c. [OE. wāt, wiste, inf. witan.]

Witer-like, adv. certainly, 671.

[ON. vitr + OE. lice.]

With (MS. Wit commonly), prep. together with, 52, 2517, &c.; Krist was him with, 62; net with horn, horned cattle, 700, &c.; with trechery, treacherously, 1089, &c. By means of, 505, 1821, &c.; with pe prestes shrive, shriven by the priests, 2480; wrastling with laddes, 2324. [OE. wiö.]

With-al, adv. likewise, 754.

[OE. wib+all.]

Wipe, prep. with, 1051 (see Note). Extended adverbial form of preposition when postponed; cf. Offe, Onne. [To OE. wið.]

Withdrawen, v. to withdraw, draw back; With-drou (MS. Wit-drow, 502), 498, 502. [OE.

wið + dragan.

With-held, pa. t. sg. retained, 820, 2356, 2362. [OE. wið + haldan.]

With-inne, prep. within, 2536.

[OE. widinnan.]

With-sitten, v. to oppose, 1683. [OE. wid + sittan.] Cf. At-sitte.

With-pan, conj. provided that, on condition that, 532. [OE wide bam ( be).]

With-pat, conj. on condition

that, so that, 19, 1220. [OE.

wid+ bat.]

Withuten (MS. Wituten commonly), prep. except, 425; without, 2860, esp. in such phrases as withuten faile, 179; withuten ende, 247; \*withuten \*were, without doubt, 13,54, which are modelled on Fr. sans faile, &c. [OE. wið-ūtan.]

Wo, Wa, n. woe, misery, wailing, 124, 461, 465, 510, &c.; wirchen wo, 510; ful wo wrouht, 2453; wurpe him wo, may woe betide him, 2221. [OE. wā.]

Wo, adj. wretched; in do ful wo = make very wretched, 611,

2589. [To prec.]

Wod, adj. mad, 508, 1777, 1848, &c.; Wode, pl. 1896; to \*fyhten wode, madly eager to fight, 2361. [OE. wod.] See Wede.

Wode, n. wood, fuel; Wodes, pl. woods, 268, 397, 1444. [OE.

wudu.]

Wok, pa. t. sg. awoke, 2093. [OE. wacan.] See Waken.

Wold, n. meaning, significance, 1932, see Note. [OE. (ge)wald.] Wolde. See Wile.

Wole. See Wile.

Wolle, n. wool, 700. [OE. wull.] Wombes, n. pl. bellies, 1911.

[OE. wamb.]

Won, n. quantity, number, opinion; in the tags ful god won, in great number or quantity, 1024, 1837, 1907, 2325, 2617, 2729; perhaps 'with great force', 1791; bi mine wone, in my opinion, 1711, 1972. [ON. ván.]

Wone, v. to dwell, 105, 247, 406, 1325, &c. [OE. wunian.]

Wone, adj. aconstomed, wont, 2151,2297 [OE. wuna, n. and adj.] Wonges, n. pl. fields, 397, 1444. [OE. wang.]

Word, n. word, report, fame, 959, 2010. [OE. word.]

Word(e). See Werd.

Wore, pa. t. sg. were, 504, &c.; Wore, 2 sg pa. t. subj. 684, &c.; Wore(n), Ware, pa. t. pl. 237, 400, 448, &c. See Was. [ON. várum, pa. t. pl.]

Worth, adj. worth, 966, 1633.

[OE. weord.]

Worth, n. worth, value, 1332.

[OE. weord.]

Worpe, Wurpe, 3 sg. pres. suhj. be, 434, 1102, 2873; Wurpe, impers. 3 sg. suhj. in wurpe him wo, 2221. [OE. weorpan.]

Wosseyled. See Wesseylen.

Wot. See Wite(n).

Wounded As to say wor

Woundede, pa. t. sg. wounded, 2742; Woundeden, pa. t. pl. 2429. [OE. wundian.]

Wounden. See Winde.

Wowe. See Wawe.

Wrastling, n. wrestling, 2324. [OE. wræstlung.]

Wrathe, n wrath, anger, 2719, 2977. [OE. wræððu.] See Wroth. Wreieres, n. pl. betrayers, traitors, 39. [OE. wrēgere.]

Wreke(n), v. to avenge, 327; Wreke, imper. sg. 544, 1363; Wreke(n), pp. avenged, 1884, 1901, 2368, 2849, 2992. [OE. wrecan.]

Wringen, v. to wring, 1233; Wrungen, pa. t. pl. 152. [OE.

wringan.

Wringing, n. wringing, 235. Writ, n. writing, inscription, 486; Writes, pl. letters, 136, 2275. [OE. writ.]

Writen, pp. written, 2481. [OE.

writan ]

Wrobberes, n. pl. informers, 39. Wrong, n. wrong, 72, 76, 2806.

[ON. \*wrang-r, Icel. rang-r.]
Wros, n. pl. corners, 68. [ON. \*wrd.]

Wroth, adj angry, 1117; Wrope, pl. 2973. [OE. wrat.] See Wrathe.

Wrouht, Wrowht. See Wir-

Wulf (MS. Wlf), n. wolf, 573.

[OE. wulf.]

Wuluine (MS. Wluine), n. shewolf, 573. [Cf. OE. wylfen, but the suffix -ine is difficult. I

Wuman. See Wimman.

Wunde, Wounde, n. wound, 1845, 1898, 1978, 1980, 1986, 2673. [OE. wund.]

Wurpe. See Worbe.

Wydues, n. pl. widows, 33; Widuen, pl. 79. [OE. widwe.]

Y. See Ich.

Ya, adv. yea, yes, 1888, 2009, 2607. [OE. geā.] See Ye.

Yaf. See Yene.

Yare, adj. ready, eager, 1301, 2574, 2788, 2954. [OE. gearu.] Yaren, v. to make ready, prepare, 1350. [OE. gearwian.]

[Yat (MS.), pp. granted, 1674, see Note. [ON. játa, játta.]]

Ye, adv. yea, yes, 2606. [OE.

gea.] See Ya.

Ye, pron. 2 pl. nom. you, 11, 12, &c.; \*You[r](?), gen. of you, 1799, see Note; Yure, Youre, poss. adj. 171, 2801, &c.; Youres (used absolutely), 2798, 2801; You, acc. and dat. 453, 1441, &c. The plural forms are often used to a superior, 484, 485, &c., but cf. 1401, 1402, and MS. be, 1628. [OE. gē, ēow, ēower.]

Yede (pa. t. sg. of gon, q.v.), walked, went, availed, 6, 44, 774, 821, &c.; Yede(n), pa. t. pl. 101, 889, 952. [OE. ge-ēode.]

Yeft, n. giving, bestowal, 2336. [Cf. OE. gift.] See Yeue.

Yelde, v. give, yield, render up to, requite, 803, 2402, 2712, 2717. [OE. geldan.]

Yeme, v. to take care of, govern, rule, 131, 172, 182, 209, 324, &c.; Yemede, pa. t. sg. (intrans.) 975; Yemede, pa. t. pl. 2276; Yemed, pp. 305. [OE. geman.]

Yer, n. year, 1333. [OE. ger.] Yerd, n. yard, enclosure, 702.

[OE. geard.]

Yerne, adv. eagerly, earnestly, readily, 153, 211, 880, 925, 1346, 1865, &c. [OE. georne.]

Yerne, 3 sg. pres. subj. desire,

299. [OE. geornian.]

Yet(e), adv. yet, 1319, 2040; used to strengthen neuere, euere, 495, 973, 996, 1043, 1288, 2334. [OE. gēta.]

(\*Yiue is frequently Yeue proved by rimes), v. to give, grant, give in exchange, 22, 298, 459, 911; Yif, 2 sg. imper. 674; Yaf, pa. t. sg. 256, 419, 1174, &c.; yaf nouht a stra, &c., cared not a straw, 315, 419; Youen, pp. 224, 304; Youenet = Youen it, 1643. [OE. gefan.] See Giue, v.

Y-here, v. to hear, II. [OE.

geheran. ] See Here(n).

Yif, conj. if, 377. [OE. gif.] Y-lere, v. to learn, 12. gelæran.] See Lere(n), v. Ynow, Ynou. See Inow.

Youenet. See Yeue.

You, Your, Youres. See Ye. Youpe, n. dat. youth, 2988. [OE. geogoo.]

Ys, pron. See Fs, pron. Y-se, v. to see, 334. OE.

geseon.] See Se(n). Yunder, adv. yonder, 922, is

probably a spelling for yonder. OE. \*geonder, cf. Gothic jaindre.] Yung(e), adj. young, 30, 112, 368, 956, &c. [OE. gung.]

Yure. See Ye.

## INDEX OF NAMES TO 'HAVELOK'

[In this Index, the references under the words in capital letters are in general to the pages of the book; otherwise, the references are to the lines of the poem.]

Adam, 2287.

ATHELWOLD (spelt Apelwald, l. 1077), is king of England, and governs wisely, pp. 2, 3; feels he is dying, p. 5; bequeaths his daughter to the care of Godrich, pp. 7, 8; dies, p. 9. (Mentioned again in 1l. 2709, 2803.)

Austin, seint, St. Augustine,

1773.

BERNARD BRUN (i.e. Bernard Brown; so called in 11. 1751, 1945), provides a supper for Havelok, p. 58; his house attacked by hieves, p. 59; fights against them, p. 62; tells Ubbe how well Havelok fought, p. 65.

BERTRAM (named in 1. 2898), is cook to the Earl of Cornwall, and employs Havelok, pp. 33, 34; is made Earl of Cornwall, and marries Levive, Grim's daughter, p. 99.

BIRKABEYN (spell Bircabein, 1. 494; gen. Birkabeynes, 2150, 2209, 2206), is king of Denmark, p. 13; commends his three children to Godard, p. 15; dies, p. 15; his son Havelok's resemblance to him, p. 72. See Introd., p. xxvi.

Cestre (Chester), 2607, 2859, 2896.

Cornwayle (Cornwall), 178, 2532, 2908; MS. Cornwalle, 884.

Crist, 16, &c.;—Krist, 17, 22; gen. Kristes, 2797.

Dauy, seint, St. David, 2867. Denemark (Denmark), 340, 381, 386, &c.

Denshe, adj. Danish, 1403; pl. 2575, 2693, 2938, 2945. Danshe, 2689.

Douere (Dover), 139, 265. Doure, 320.

Elfled (MS. Helfled), Havelok's sister, 411.

Engelond (England), 59, 202, 250, &c.;—Engellond, 1093;—Engelonde, 208;—Englond, 1270;—Engeland, 108, 610;—MS. Hengelond, 999; gen. Engelondes, 63.

Englishe, pl adj. (followed by men), 2766, 2795;—Englis (used absolutely), 254;—MS. Henglishe, 2945.

Eue, Eve, 2287; gen. Eues, 2045.

Griffin Galle, 2029; but MS. Giffin is probably correct.

GODARD (gen. Godardes, l. 2415), is made regent of Denmark, pp. 15, 16; shuts up Birkabeyn's children in a castle, p. 16; kills Swanborow and Elffed, p. 18; spares Havelok, p. 19; but after-

wards hires Grim to drown Havelok, p. 20; is attacked by Havelok, p. 80; is taken prisoner, p. 82; condemned, flayed, drawn and

banged, pp. 83, 84.

GODRICH (spelt Godrigh, L 178), is Earl of Comwall, p. 7; is made regent of England, pp. 8, 9, 10; shuts Goldborough up in Dover Castle, p. 12; makes Goldborough marry Havelok, p. 41; raises an army against Havelok, p. 86; excites his men, p 87; marches to Grimsby, p. 88; fights with Ubbe, p. 89; fights with Havelok, p. 92; is taken prisoner, p. 93; taken to Lincoln, and burnt alive, pp. 95, 96.

GOLDEBORU (or Goldeborw, 1. 2985), is daughter of King Athelwold, p. 5; is committed to the care of Godrich, p. 8; shut up in Dover castle, p. 12; is sent for to Lincoln, p. 40; is married to Havelok, p. 43; hears an angel's voice, p. 46; encourages Havelok to go to Denmark, p. 48; rejoices at Godrich's death, p. 96; is queen

of England, p. 101.

GRIM, a fisher, is hired by Godard to drown Havelok, p. 20; discovers Havelok to be the right heir to the crown, p. 22; takes Havelok over to England, p. 26; founds Grimsby, p. 27; sends Havelok to Lincoln, p. 31; dies,

P. 44.

Grimesbi, 745, 2540, 2579, 2617, 2619; - Grimesby, 1202, 2866.

Gunnild (daughter of Grim, marries Earl Reyner of Chester), 2866, 2896.

Gunter (an English earl), 2606.

HAUELOK, son of King Birkabeyn of Denmark, p. 14; spared by Godard, p. 19; but given over by him to Grim to be drowned,

p. 20; spared and fed by Grim. p. 23; goes to England, p. 26; sells fish, p. 30; works as a porter, p. 33; puts the stone, p. 38; marries Goldborough, p. 43; returns to Grimsby, p. 44; his dream, p. 47; returns to Denmark, p. 52; trades there, p. 53: is noticed by Ubbe, p. 55; defends Bernard's house against thieves, pp. 59-63; is known to be heir of Denmark by a miraculous light, p. 69; is dubbed knight by Ubbe, p. 77; is king of Denmark, p. 78; defeats Godard, p. 81; invades England, p. 85; defeats Godrich. p. 93; rewards Bertram and others, p. 98; lives to be a hundred years old, p. 99; is crowned king of England at London, p. 100; is king for sixty years, p. 100. [The story is called 'be gest of Hauelok and of Goldeborw, l. 2985.]

Humber (the river), 733. Huwe Rauen (one of Grim's sons), 1398, 1868, 2349, 2636, 2677; MS. Hwe, 1878.

Iohan, seint; the patron saint to whom Havelok commits his Danes, 2957; bi seint Iohan! 1112, 1721, 2563. Spelt Ion, 177. Iudas, 319, 425, 482, 1133.

Kaym, gen. Cain's, 2045.

Lazarum ( = Lazarum, acc. of Lazarus), 331. Cf. 'Lord'—seyd Gij-'that rered Lazeroun,' &c. Guy of Warwick, ed. Zupitza, p. 592.

Leue (Grim's wife), 558, 576,

595, 618, 642.

Leuiue (Grim's daughter, married to Bertram), 2914. Lincolne, 773, 847, 862, 980,

1105, 2558, 2572, 2824. Lindeseye (N. part of Lincoln-

shire), 734. Lundone (London), 2943. Marz (March), 2559.

Reyner (earl of Chester), 2607. Roberd (pe Rede) (Grim's eldest son), 1397, 1686, 1888, &c.;—Robert, 2405, 2411, &c.; gen. Roberdes, 1691.

Rokesborw (Roxburgh), 265;
—Rokesburw, 139.

Sathanas (Satan), 1100, 1134,

Swanborow (Havelok's sister), 411.

UBBE, a great Danish lord, p. 53;

entertains Havelok, p. 54; takes him to his castle, p. 56; does homage to Havelok, p. 75; dubs him knight, p. 77; his combat with Godrich, p. 89; is sorely wounded, p. 90.

Willam (Wendut) (one of Grim's sons), 1690, 1881, 1892, 2348, 2632;—MS. Wiliam Wenduth, 1398.

Winchestre, 158, 318.

Yerk (York), 1178, see Note. Ynde, India, 1085.







PR 2065 H3 1915

L 005 701 618 0

DC SOUTHERN REGIONAL LIBRARY FACILITY